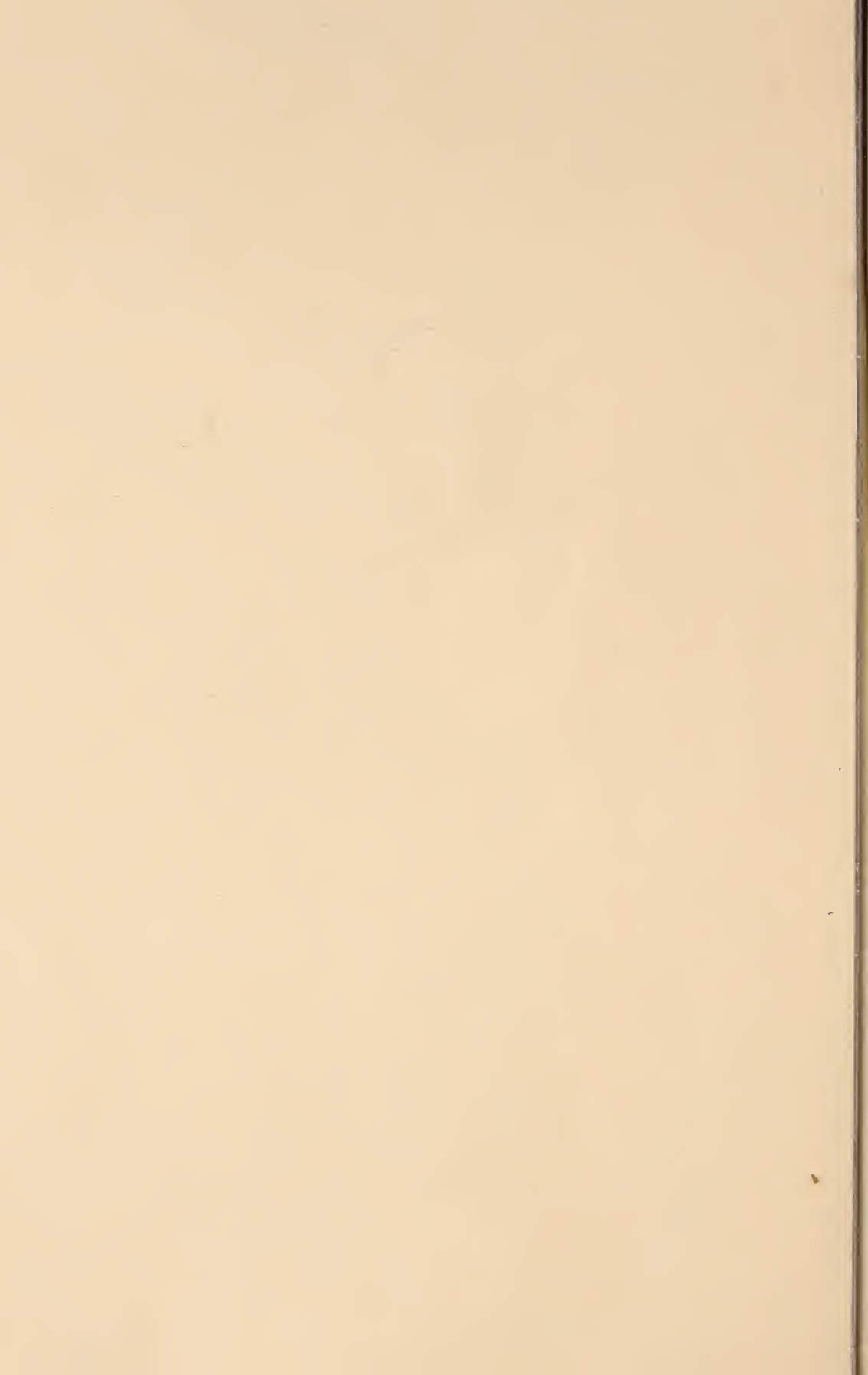


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Six Splendid Fringed Begonias, Scarlet, White, Yellow, Orange, Pink, and Salmon.
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For a 50-Cent Seed Order I will send as a premium six splendid named Gladioli white, yellow, scarlet, pink, red and variegated, older varieties. Order this month.

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Park's New Floral Guide for 1915, enlarged and improved, is now ready for mailing. It contains more than 600 engravings of flowers with descriptions; gives a germinating table; pronounces the hard flower names; and gives valuable information about flowers and their culture. It will be sent free to everyone who orders seeds, and to prospective patrons on request. Address **GEO. W. PARK, La Park, Lanc. Co., Pa.**



DOUBLE BEGONIA.

BLOOM FIRST SEASON.

Abronia umbellata
Sand Verbena, rosy clusters.
Acacia lophantha speciosa.
An elegant, Fern-like plant for a pot, or for a sheltered group outdoors.
Adonis, mixed sorts.
Ageratum, Tall varieties, blue, white, mixed.
Imperialis, Dwarf, blue, white
Little Blue Star, Princess Victoria Louise
All varieties in fine mix't
Beautiful everblooming plants for beds and pots.
Flowers in clusters, very freely borne. Plants dense, and like hot sun. One of our best annuals.
Agrostemma Cell-rosa
White, pink, purple; 1 foot; fine in masses. Mixed.
Amaranthus, all sorts
These are easily grown foliage and flowering plants, including Joseph's Coat, Fountain Plant, Love-lies-bleeding, Princess Feather. All the new, bright sorts are also in my mixture.



Antirrhinum, Snapdragon, New Orchid-flowering, finest mixed
Tall sorts, large-flowered, finest mixed
Semi-dwarf, large-flowered, finest mixed
All varieties in splendid mixture

These are elegant, free-blooming plants, branching, each branch bearing a long spike of beautiful flowers, white, rose, red, scarlet, striped, and variegated; splendid for beds, and also for pots. Everybody should have some of these improved Snapdragons. Add it to your order.

Alonsoa, finest var. mixed
Elegant pot plants, also fine for the garden; colors white, chamois, scarlet, etc.
Alyssum, Sweet, oz. 25 cts.
Little Gem, dwarf, erect
Trailing Carpet, spreading
Annuals that bloom from spring till winter; white, fragrant, very profuse; fine for edgings and borders.
Ambrosia Mexican, sweet
Anchusa capensis, fine.
Dropmore, large blue, fine.
Anthemis Kelwayii
Perennial, bearing a profusion of golden daisies.
Anagallis, Pimpernelle, blue, red, lilac, scarlet, mxd
Anemone, St. Brigid, mxd
Arctotis, blue, orange, mxd
Arnebia Cornuta, spotted
Argemone, white, yellow, mxd
Artemisia, annual, fragrant
This is often sold as Fern Tree. It grows readily from seeds, and has pretty, fragrant foliage, often 6 ft. tall.
Asperula azurea setosa
Aster, Orego Giant, mixed, Improved Branching, mxd
New Hohenzollern, mxd
Early Hohenzollern, mxd
Victoria Giant, mxd
Christmas Tree, mxd
Ostrich Feather, mxd
Pompon Crown, mxd
Half Dwarf Multiflor, mxd
Dwarf Bouquet, mxd
Chrysanthemum Dwarf, mxd
Giant Comet, mxd
Yellow Quilled, mxd
Rose-flowered, mxd
Silver Cloud, white, mxd
Sada Yakko, soft rose
Bedding Aster, mixed
Giant Perfection, mxd
All varieties

For other kinds and colors, see Park's Floral Guide, free for the asking.



Mr. Park:—Your Orego Aster is worthy of high praise. The flowers are marvels of beauty, large, set on long

stems, petals long and wavy, with centers well covered. They are as fine as Japanese Chrysanthemum.—R. Shafter, Mich., Oct. 10, 1914.



Balsam, Royal, red, rose.
Park's Camellia-flow., mxd
Prince Bismarck, salmon
Giant Blood Red, fine
Dwarf, double mixed
Camellia-fl., spotted, mixed
All varieties, mixed
My Balsams are all double and of the best strains.
Mr. Park:—The most beautiful Balsams I ever saw I raised from your seeds. They were a revelation of beauty to all of my friends.—Mrs. O'Rear, Fla., Nov. 4, 1914.

Bartonia aurea, golden
Basil, Sweet, delicious
Bellis, dbl., English Daisy
Monstrosa, white, rose
Monstrosa, mixed
The new giant Monstrosa daisies bear immense double flowers, and are surpassingly fine. They are much larger and finer than the old sorts.

Mr. Park:—Your Giant Bellis became great clumps covered with fine large double flowers all season. They certainly yield big returns for little money and effort.—Mrs. Linford, Wyo., Nov. 12, 14.
Bidens, New Hybrids mxd
Cosmos-like flowers, pink, red, black, striped; fine in beds and for cutting.

Brachycome, Swan River
Daisy New Star, white, blue, red, mixed

These lovely little annuals were used effectively for beds in Glasnevin Botanic Gardens the past summer. They ought to be better known.

Brocchia, blue, white, purple, mixed
Speciosa, new, large-fl., blue
Easily grown flowers for beds; bloom well in winter in pots.

Calandrinia, pretty annuals, red, white, mixed
Callichroa Douglassi, yellow.

Calendula grandiflora, easily grown from seeds, double, orange, sulphur, sulphur striped, orange striped; single white; mxd
Mr. Park:—Your Calendulas are fine—all shades of orange and yellow and striped; double flowers 2-3 inches across, blooming till winter. And from them we make the best healing salve I know of, so they are useful as well as beautiful.—Mrs. Adriance, Tex., Oct. 2, 1914.

Cacalia, Paint Brush, mxd
Calliopsis, Double, mixed
Bicolor, Dwarf, mixed
New superb hybrids, mxd
Golden Wave, yellow
All varieties, mixed

Mr. Park:—Calliopsis is a very showy annual, and a most persistent bloomer. The flowers are daisy-like, and of great persistence. They should be in every garden.—Alice Sheffer, Mich., Oct. 9, '14.
Callirhoe, pedata, purple
Involucrata, red, trailing
Both species mixed.

Calliopsis, pedata, purple
Involucrata, red, trailing
Both species mixed.
Calliopsis is a lovely everblooming hardy perennial, for a bed; flower cup-shaped, very showy. O. Pedata is erect, blooms till winter.
Calceolaria scabiosifolia, a lovely free-blooming annual; flowers primrose-yellow. Fine for pots.



Canna, New Gladiolus-fl., Finest mixed, yellow, scarlet, spotted, crimson, etc.

Mr. Park:—I raised a lot of Cannas from your seeds last summer. The plants grew four feet high and bloomed well. I had seven colors, and all beautiful. I shall keep the roots in the cellar and plant next year.—Mrs. Reed, Mich., Oct. 20, 1914.

Candytuft, hardy annuals
Showy in beds; white, lilac, carmine, purple, sweet-scented, separate or mixed.

Campanula, annual, mxd
Charming little bell-flow-
ers, free-blooming, blue and
white; fine for beds and edg-
ings. *C. procumbens* is pretty
for baskets.

Mr. Park:—I have a very
gay border of *Campanula*. I
would not be without its
cheering influence.—Mrs.
Jones, Cal., Nov. 9, 1914.

Cannabis Gigantea, Hemp
Capsett, Pepper, 26
distinct fine sorts mixed.

Small fancy sorts for pots
for house culture, mixed.

Carduus, white-vein fol'ge



Carnation, Imp. Early-fi.
Vanguard, double, bloom-
ing first year; white, red,
yellow, striped, yellow-
ground, variegated, separate
or mixed.

Earliest French Giant,
white, yellow, scarlet, rose,
separate or mixed.

Marguerite Improved,
white, red, rose, yellow and
variegated, separate or mxd
Comtesse de Paris, yellow.
Gullaude, exquisite double.
Early-fi. Carnations mxd.
[Note.—All of my Carnation
seeds are of the finest qual-
ity. They will please you.]

Mr. Park:—My Carnations
from your seeds were fine. I
started the plants in the
house, and bedded out in
May. They soon became
large, thrifty plants, with
red, pink, yellow, white and
yellow edged pink blossoms
all over, and lasted till the
ground froze.—Mrs. Scho-
field, Ia., Oct. 15, 1914.

Carthamus tinctorius,
Saffron; golden flowers.
Catchfly, pretty hardy an-
nual; rose and white; one
foot high; mixed colors.

Celosia Cristata Coccumb
Empress, crimson, for beds
Dwarf mixed, extra quality
Thompson's mag., crimson
Magnifica, golden yellow
Magnifica, all colors mxd
and Dwarf C. mxd
All Celosias are fine for
beds or pots, and are always
in bloom and very attractive.
The new Magnifica sorts are
especially beautiful, and the
seeds I offer are unsurpassed.

Mr. Park:—I have had
splendid success with your
Coccombs. They are drouth-
resisting, and when other
yards were bare and brown
mine was gorgeous with beds
of Coccomb.—Mrs. Coates,
Tex., Oct. 6, 1914.

Centauridium Drum-
mondii, yellow.

Centranthus macroceph-
olus, white, flesh, carmine,
bicolor, mixed.

A lovely annual, everbloom-
ing, the small flowers in big
clusters, very pretty.

Cerastium Biebersteini,
silvery foliage, Daisy-like
white blooms; fine edging.

Cerinthe retorta, bee pit.

Cheiranthus, rose, fine.

Cheiranthus maritimus,
fine little annual for pots
or masses; mixed.

Centaurea Cyanus, d'ble
blue, white, rose, varie-
gated, Bach, Button, mixed,
Nana Compacta, blue, wh.,
etc., free-blooming, mixed.
Depressa, King of Blue-
bottles, fine for cutting.

Moschata, blue, white, etc.
Suaevoleus, Sweet Sultan
Odorata, blue, etc., mixed
Americana, showy rose-fi.
Complete mixture all sorts
few flowers, but finer for
bouquets, or last better than
Centaureas. *C. Cyanus*, dou-
ble blue, is exquisite and can
be worn in the buttonhole a
day without wilting. All are
showy in the garden.

Mr. Park:—*Centaurea odo-
rata* is beautiful, and the
flowers are among the best
for cutting. If freely cut the
plants bloom for a long time.
—Mrs. Chapman, Ill., Oct. 1914.

Chrysanthemum, an-
nual, mixed

Carinatum, double, white,
yellow, purple, scarlet, mxd
Hybridum flm briatum,
double, mixed

Coronarum, double, mxd
New Dwarf

Northern Star, Giant, white

Inodorum, Bridal Robe, wh

Frutescens, white, yel., mxd

Mr. Park:—My Annual
Chrysanthemums were very
pretty, blooming from June
till after frosts; colors white,
yellow, gold-centered, etc.; a
beautiful border for the
hardy 'Mums.—Mrs. Barley,
Ky., Oct. 19, 1914.

Clarkia, Elegans, double,
white, rose, salmon, purple,
striped, mixed

Puichella, double, white,
red, margined, mixed.

All the above mixed.
Mr. Park:—What a delight-
ful surprise your *Clarkias*
were to me last summer. It
was my first experience with
them, but hereafter I shall
not consider my garden com-
plete without them.—Mrs.
Turner, Minn., Oct. 28, 1914.

Cleome gigantea, carmine.
Spider-flower; 3 feet tall,
branching and covered with
showy, white, Electric Light,
mixed; spikes till frost.

Clintonia, blue, white, mxd



Collinsia, lovely annuals
with whorls of white, purple,
carmine, variegated, mixed.

Collomia coccinea, scarlet

Cosmidium, velvety bro'n

Crepis, double, pink, white,
yellow, mixed; showy

Cypripet, the species mxd

Cynoglossum, blue, mxd

Dahlia, Double mixed

Juarezii and Lilliput, mxd

Gloria, semi-double, "

Single Giant, "

Cactus sorts,

Margined and striped

Coronata, sweet-scented

Collar or Ruffled

Tom Thumb, mixed

All, single and double, mxd

and the single-flowered were
as much admired as the rest.
Everyone enjoyed the fun of
naming them.—Mrs. Jones,
O., Nov. 4, 1914.

Eucharitium, mxd col's

Euphorbia Variegata,
foliage edged white; called

Snow on the Mountain.

Heterophylla, scarlet.

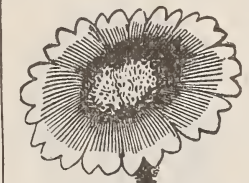
Both sorts mixed

Eutoca viscida, free-
blooming annuals, six in.

high; flowers white and
rich blue; very pretty

Fedia cornucopia, a pretty
little annual; corymbs of
red flowers

Fenzlia Dianthiflora, mxd;
lovely rose, white and pink
flowers in great profusion.



Gaillardia Picta, mixed

Lorenziana, double, mixed

Grandiflora, large, mixed

New Compact, mixed

Beautiful garden flowers
blooming continuously till
after severe frosts; showy in
beds, and fine for cutting. *G.*
grandiflora is a hardy peren-
nial, but blooms freely the
first season.

Mr. Park:—I want to tell
you of my success with your
Gaillardias. The bed was a
most dazzling corner in my
flower garden. The flowers
are always so bright and
showy, and of so many har-
monious colors.—Mrs. Jones,
Calif., Nov. 9, 1914.

Gilia, lovely little annuals,
freely in clusters all sea-
son. White, blue, rose,

violet, separate or mixed.

Glaucaum, Burbank and
mixed, a foot high, with
pretty foliage and large

showy red-blotched fl'rs.

Godelia, superb bedding
annuals, the flowers large,
often spotted and blotched

and of the finest colors, as
white, rose, carmine, sin-
gle and double. Mixed.

Helianthus, Sunflower,
new large-flowered Red,

also Double Green cen-
tered, Fistulosa, Arboreus

giganteus, Uniflorus and
Dwarf Variegated. Sepa-
rate or mixed.

Helianthus, Sunflower,
small-flowered, Cucumeri-
folius, Argophyllus, Dia-

dem, Stella, and new Red
and shaded. Separate or
mixed.

Hibiscus, New Sunset, 6
feet tall, with big Holly-
hock-like golden flowers
with dark eye. I also have

H. Trionum, H. Mehanil,
mixed, and H. Moscheutos.

Hebestreitia, new Afri-
can Mignonette, a pretty,
free-blooming hardy an-
nual; flowers white, in
spikes, scented.

Ice Plant, an odd, icy
plant for pots or beds; also
mixed varieties of *Mesem-
bryanthemum*.

Jonopsidium Acaule,
Diamond flower, a pretty
creeping annual for car-
peting the soil in pots.

Kochia Scoparia, Summer
Cypress, an elegant fine-
foliage annual, turning
crimson in autumn.

Kaufussia, 1 foot high,
bearing blue, rose and vio-
let flowers; mixed.

Kenilworth Ivy, a hand-
some trailing perennial for
carpeting shady ground
or for bracket pots or
baskets; grows well in
dense shade.

Lavandula vera, the well-
known Lavender; deli-
ciously scented foliage;
hardy.

Lavatera trimestris,
"Dwarf Hollyhock," two
feet high, branching, and
covered all autumn with
showy white and rose flow-
ers; makes a fine bed or
hedge-mixed.

Leptostaphon, very pro-
fuse blooming, low, dense
annuals, exquisite for beds
or border; yellow, rose,
carmine, white, scarlet,
separate or mixed.

Impatiens, new African
Balsams, beautiful ever-
blooming plants for beds
or pots; bloom freely all
the season outdoors, and
unsurpassed for winter-
blooming in the window:
flowers white, rose, purple,
scarlet, salmon, crimson,
striped, eyed, etc.; sepa-
rate or mixed.

Linum grandiflorum,
Scarlet Flax, a very at-
tractive annual; one foot
high, masses of waving
bloom; rose and red, mxd.

Lupinus, annuals of great
beauty, blooming in spikes
all summer; flowers Pea-
like, white, blue, violet,
scarlet, mixed.

Linaria, annuals of the
easiest culture, bearing
terminal clusters of white,
violet, purple, yellow and
striped Snapdragon-like
flowers; charming. Mixed.

Lychnis Chalcedonica, a
foot high, bearing heads
of rich scarlet and white
flowers; blooms first year,
and for several years
after. Mixed.

Lychnis Haageana, seven
inches; flowers very large,
rich vermillion and other
colors, mixed. Also I offer
a mixture of many sorts.

Lobelia Hamburgia, an
exquisite plant for hang-
ing baskets and pots; flow-
ers blue with white eye.

Also *L. speciosa* and Bar-
nard's Perpetual, fine for
baskets.

Lobelia compacta, Snow-
ball, becoming a ball of
white bloom, and *L. pumila*
splendens, rich blue,
good for edgings and pots,

Margota French, double,
tall, all colors, finest mixed,
French, double, dwarf, all
colors, mixed.

French Lilliput, small-
flowered, mixed.

French single, all colors,
finest mixed.

African, double, tall sorts,
finest mixed.

African, double dwarf, all
colors, finest mixture.

Lucida, yellow, very sweet
scented, in clusters,

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scented, in clusters,

Marigold, (continued).

Signata pumila, dwarf, bushy, becoming a golden mass of bloom.

Malva *crispa*, often 10 feet high, one erect stalk, clothed with fringed leaves and retaining its beauty till snow flies.

Malope *grandiflora*, hardy, one foot, showy rose, red and white blooms.

Martynia *Fragrans*, crimson, Gloxinia-like bloom upon a strong, spreading plant 2 feet high.

Proboscidea, lavender, spotted flowers, succeeded by claw-like pods that are used for pickles when young.

Matricaria *Capensis* fl. pl., double pure white Feverfew; free-blooming, splendid.

Golden Ball, double; a mass of golden buttons. Silver Ball, double, a globular mass of white bloom.

All sorts, double, Mixed.

Matthiola, Evening Stock, *Bicornis* and *Tricuspidata*, not showy, but the flowers deliciously sweet-scented.

Moltuccella, Shell Flower, 2 ft. bell-flower, mixed.

Minutulus, Monkey Flower, exquisite large spotted flowers in profusion; single and double mixed.

Musk Plant, golden, musk-scented, fine.



Mignonette, Sweet, exquisitely scented spikes of bloom; yellow, red and white, finest mixed.

Nirahilis, Four-o'clock, tall, white, yellow, crimson, lilac, violet, tricolor, etc., separate or mixed. Dwarf, variegated-leaved sorts, in all colors, separate or mixed.

Myosotis, Forget-me-not, charming little flower, blue, white, rose, in clusters; mixed.

Nemesia, new *Strumosa*, beautiful varieties, carmine, scarlet, cream, orange, spotted, mixed.

Nemophila, beautiful hardy annuals, the bright flowers white, blue and variegated, blooming freely all summer; mixed.

Nicotiana *affinis*, white, two feet tall, free and continuous-blooming, deliciously sweet-scented in the evening, and quite showy. *Sanderæ*, a new, very beautiful sort, fine for beds or pots, flowers of many rich colors, and open in day-time. Mixed.

Nicandra *Physaloides*, Shoefly plant.

Nierembergia, *Frutescens* and *Gracilis*, fine for pots; very free-blooming;

Nigella, Love-in-a-Mist, blue and white, double; Miss Jekyll, rich blue, double; all mixed.

Nolana, trailing annuals, fine for baskets; flowers bell-shaped, white, blue, violet, mixed.

Nycteria, dwarf, tufted annuals; flowers clustered, very fragrant; mixed.

Obeliscaria, drooping, blotched golden rays, cone center.

Oenothera, Evening Primrose, lovely cup-shaped fragrant flowers; very showy; mixed.

Oxalis, pretty edging and basket plants; pink, rose, white, mixed.



Pansy, Roemer's Giant, a grand strain of German Pansies, immense in size, rich colors, profusion of bloom and sturdy, free growth. Mixed.

Pansy, Orchid-flowering, charming varieties in form and chaste colors; beautiful; mixed.

Pansy, Brown's Giant, a very superior American strain; mammoth flowers, exquisite in color and variegation; mixed.

Petunia, Park's Mammoth, single and double, finest strain, all varieties, mixed. I can also supply the Plain and Fringed and Double separately.

Petunia, New Magnifica, the finest dwarf bedding sorts, very free-blooming, and make a gorgeous bed of the finest colors and variegations; mixed.

Petunia, Medium-flowered Double, mixed colors, splendid varieties, easily grown; mixed.

Phlox *Drummondii*, large-flowered sorts in finest mixture; splendid for beds, blooming all summer. *Hortensiflora* mixed; *Cuspidata* and Fringed, mixed; Semi-double, mixed; and Dwarf Compact, mixed. See Park's Floral Guide.

Poppy, annual, Park's Giant Carnation-flowered, a splendid race, three feet high, bearing huge, feathery, globular flowers, of a wonderful variety of colors and variegations. Mxd. *Pæony*-flowered, very large, beautiful, double flowers of many rich colors; mixed.

Cardinal Poppy, 18 inches; elegant fringed flowers; finest mixed colors.

Poppy, Shirley, exquisite single flowers in the finest colors, with yellow stamens. Mixed. I also have New Dwarf Shirley, mixed.

Polygonum *Orientalis*, 6 feet high, tree-like; flowers tall-like, drooping, white and carmine, mixed. I can also supply dwarf mixed.

Portulaca, Flowering Moss, low, succulent plants; like sunshine, and are a gorgeous sheet of bloom in summer; white, rose, carmine, scarlet, yellow, salmon, blotched, striped, single mixed, also double mixed.

Ricinus, Castor Oil Bean, tall, beautiful ornamental-leaved plants, elegant for a bed or screen. *Arboreus*, 15 feet; *Gibsoni*, red, 5 feet; *Sanguineus*, 8 feet; *Zanzibariensis* mixed, 6 feet; all kinds mixed.

Rudbeckia, splendid hardy perennials blooming first season; fall-blooming; glorious in a bed. *Newmanii*, yellow, 2 feet; *Sullivantii*, golden, 3 feet; *Bicolor*, semiplena, yellow, 2 feet; all kinds mixed. Also *Purpurea*, purplish crimson, fine.

Salvia *Splendens*, ever-blooming plants easily grown from seeds; dazzling scarlet, very showy, unsurpassed for beds or pots. *Grandiflora*, large, scarlet; *Giant Scarlet*, four feet; *Zurich*, Bonfire, 2 feet, mixed.

Salvia *Coccinea nana* compacta, a fine sort for pots, rich scarlet, free-blooming and handsome. *Patens*, blue; *Sclarea*, flesh; *Azurea grandiflora*, azure; mixed; *Roemeriana*, red; mixed.

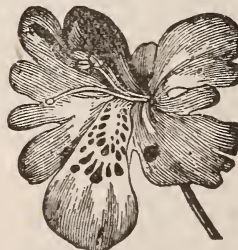
Salpiglossis, New Emperor, elegant *Petunia*-like flowers upon erect, branching plants; very rich colored, yellow, rose, blue, violet, all penciled; finest strain; separate or mixed. Also new dwarf mixed.

Scabiosa, Mourning Bride, a fine annual 3 feet high; flowers double, from white to red and blue and black, borne on long stems all season, showy in the garden and fine for cutting. Separate or mixed. I can also supply dwarf, 1 foot high, fine for window pots or beds. Mixed.

Senecio *elegans*, beautiful bedding annuals, double, free-blooming, 9 inches high; white, rose, blue, yellow, violet, etc. Mixed.

Sinaitalia *procumbens* fl. pl., creeping; flowers double, golden yellow, produced all season.

Saponaria *calabrica*, very pretty, profuse-blooming, bright flowered annuals; mixed colors.



Schizanthus, new large-flowered hybrids; elegant varieties; two feet high, bushy, covered with lovely fairy-like flowers of various colors; splendid. Mixed. Also *Wisetonensis* excelsior, the improved beautiful new Butterfly Flower for pots. Mixed.

Solanum, easily grown flowering and fruiting plants; *Giganteum*, 6 feet, sub-tropical; *Ciliatum*, orange fruits; *Laciniatum*, violet, fruits yellow; *Melongena*, big fruits of various colors, as scarlet, striped, red, black, etc. All sorts mixed.

Silene *pendula*, finest dwarf, double-flowered sorts; appear like cushions of exquisite bloom; fine for edging and beds. Mxd.

Sedum *cœruleum*, stone crop, very pretty.

Sphenogyne *speciosa*, Daisy-like flowers in fine yellow shades; free-blooming, fine for beds.

Ten Weeks Stocks, almost perfect annuals; easily grown, free and continuous-blooming, fine in texture, rich in color, deliciously scented, double as a Rose, and borne in spikes. Everybody should grow them. New Mammoth, 3 feet, mixed; Dwarf German, 1 foot, mixed; Giant of Nice, 2 feet, mxd; Dwarf Bouquet, 1 foot, mixed; Giant Perfection, 2 feet, mixed. All varieties mixed. For others see Park's Floral Guide, p. 35.

Tropeolum, T. Thumb, 9 inches high, very showy, beautiful *Nasturtiums*, excellent for beds and for pots and for cutting. Yellow, crimson, scarlet, orange, blotched, rose, cœruleus, etc. Separate or mixed. I can also supply T. Lilliput, the new miniature-flowered *Nasturtium* in leading colors and mixed.



Verbena, Large-flowered, Fragrant. These start readily from seeds, soon begin to bloom, and are showy till after frost. The many-colored flowers in clusters are fragrant and beautiful; fine for beds and pots. Choice hybrids mixed; Mammoth mixed; Compact mixed; all sorts mixed.

Virginia Stock, very free-blooming annuals for beds or pots; grow in masses; white, rose, carmine, mxd.

Valerian, fragrant, 2 feet high; lovely little flowers, white, rose, scarlet, in clusters; called Garden Heliotrope.

Venidium *calendula-cæum*, a splendid low annual for beds or borders; flowers large, Daisy-like, rich golden yellow, freely borne all season.

Vinca *rosea*, a foot high; glossy green foliage and clusters of Phlox-like flowers; fine for beds and pots; good winter-bloomer; white, white with eye, rose, mixed.

Viscaria *oculata*, showy annuals for growing in masses; white, blue, rose, crimson, spotted, mixed.

Viola, Tufted Pansy, very beautiful, fragrant flowers for beds; endure sun better than Pansies, and bloom as freely; white, yellow, blue, mauve, azure, spotted and blotched, mxd.

Wallflower, Parisian, a charming sort blooming in four or five months after sowing; hardy, and will bloom the next season; yellow, cream, brown, blood-red, mixed.

Whitlaria, lovely annuals a foot high; bell-shaped, free-blooming; white, blue, mixed.

Zinnia, Finest Improved Double. Mammoth, 4 feet high, huge double flowers of many colors mixed; Bedding Zinnias, very free-blooming, double, everblooming, fine for beds; Miniature, small double flowers, mixed colors; Benary's Striped; Crispa, with curled petals, like a Japan Aster, mixed; Lilliput, small double flowers, fine for cutting. Mixed; all sorts mixed.

ORNAMENTAL GRASSES.

These are fine in beds, and very useful for bouquets, green or dry. All are easily grown. I have all the leading sorts.

Agrostis nebulosa, Pulchella; *Avena*, Animated Oat; *Brachypodium*; *Briza Maxima*, Minima, *Geniculata*; *Brizopyrum*; *Bromus briziformis*; *Chloropsis*; *Euchlaena luxurians*; *Hordeum*, Job's Tears, *Lagurus* or Hare's Tail, *Melica*, *Panicum altissimum*, *Virgatum*, *sulcatum* and *plicatum*, *Stipa* or Feather Grass, *Tricholena*, *Erianthus Ravennae*, *Glycerium argenteum*, *Zea Japonica gigantea* quadrilateral or Striped Corn, *Zizania aquatica*, etc.

EVERLASTING FLOWERS.

Cut and dried these are fine for winter bouquets, as they retain their color and form. They are easily grown from seeds.

Acroclinium, double, rose, white, mixed; *Ammobium alatum*, white; *Gomphrena* or German Clover, white, yellow, flesh, variegated, carmine, mixed; *Gypsophila*, small rose and white flowers, mixed; *Helipetrum*, golden clusters; *Helichrysum*, Strawflower, white, rose, crimson, scarlet, yellow, salmon, purple, tall or dwarf, double, mixed; *Gnaphalium*, Edelweis, white; *Rhodanthus*, white, rose, crimson, mixed; *Statice Suworowi*, *Latifolia*, Superba, mixed; *Waitzia*, yellow; *Xeranthemum*, double, white, rose, purple, mixed. See Park's Floral Guide for full descriptions. Sent free.

ORNAMENTAL CLIMBERS.

These clothe and beautify walls, fences and unsightly buildings, and are needed to make a house cozy and home-like. Always get seeds of some of these.

Cardiospermum, Balloon Vine, grows eight feet
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Morning Glory, Japanese. I make a specialty of these superb vines, and can supply all the fine varieties, separate or mixed. See Park's Floral Guide. Free.

Cobaea Scandens, one of the best vines; grows 30 feet; bronzy stems and large, drooping purple bells freely produced all season; fine for shading a porch or wall, or house.

Cucurbit, Creeper, 15 feet high, a sort of Nasturtium

Cypress Vine, 8 feet high:

Convolvulus, Morning Glory, the old-fashioned,

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Gourd, Apple, Lemon, Gooseberry, striped, Pear, green-ringed, red-striped; *Luffa*, the Dish-rag Gourd; *Momordica*, Balsam Apple and Balsam Pear; *Tricosanthes* or Snake Gourd; Hundred-weight, mixed colors; Small Fancy Gourds, for children's toys; also all kinds mixed. Any of these separate, or all in mixture.

Huachuca Variegata, Japan Hop, a free-growing, beautiful foliage climber; 20 feet, panicles of bloom.

Ipomoea Coccinea, the small, scarlet and white Morning Glory; rapid climber; flowers open all day. Also *Limbata*, rich blue, edged white; *Learyi*; *Violacea vera*. All mixed.

Lophospermum scandens, a fine blooming vine.

Moon Vine, the white, large-flowered sort; also the small, rose-flowered or Evening Glory. Mixed.

Maurandya, 10 feet; dense, rich foliage, thickly set in autumn with hanging bells of rose, white and purple vine; mixed.

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These are the "poor man's flowers," for when once established in the garden they will take care of themselves, and bloom freely every year. The plants are easily grown from seeds.

Achillea, Pearl, white; filipendula, yellow; millifolium roseum, rose; mxd.

Aconitum, Monkshood, finest varieties, mixed.

Adeonophora, Campanula-like, handsome, mixed.

Adonis, cirrhosa, lovely biennial vine; 15 feet high; exquisite foliage; clusters of waxy pink flowers; does well in shade.



Arabis alpina, a charming early spring flower; clusters of pure white flowers; long bloomers.

Aubrietia, trailing, carpeting the ground in spring with lovely violet or blue flowers. Mixed.

Agrostemma coronaria, two feet; mixed.

Alyssum, Gold Dust; golden clusters upon dwarf, compact plants.

Anchusa, Dropmore and others, mixed.

Aster, Perennial. Large-flowered; mixed.

Campanula, Canterbury Bell, 2 feet high, branching, and showing a mass of big, lovely bells, single or double; blue, white, rose, striped; mixed. Also *Calycanthemum* sorts mxd.

Campanula, Pyramidalis, Turbinata, Persicifolia, Carpathica, Glomerata, Rotundifolia, etc., separate or mixed.

Carnation, Improved Garden, Double, mixed.

Coreopsis, splendid, golden flowers; fine to cut.

Chrysanthemum, New Single-flowered, mixed.

Delphinium, Perennial Larkspur, mixed.

Digitalis, Foxglove, spikes of lovely drooping bells, white, lilac, rose, purple, yellow; mixed.

Gaillardia grandiflora, finest mixed.

Geum, 2 feet high; scarlet; fine varieties, mixed.

Gypsophila paniculata, 2 feet; fairy-like white bloom on delicate stems. Also new Double-flowered.

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Hibiscus, Mehan's Hybrids, 6 feet, mixed.

Leucanthemum, Shasta Daisy, Etoile d'Anvers; also Alaska, California Westralia, etc., mixed.

Litium Flammula, yellow; Lewisii, blue; Perenne, white and blue; Narbonne, deep blue. Mixed.

Poppy, Perennial, a mixture of 25 finest named sorts; immense flowers on strong stems, 3 feet high; perfectly hardy, bloom in early summer, splendid.

Primula, hardy, mixed.

Physalis Franchetti, Chinese Lantern, red.

Pyrethrum, New Hybrid, finest mixed.

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Perennial Pea, 6 feet, fine everblooming vine, mixed.

Platycodon, superb sorts, Blue, White, mixed.

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Potomontium, Jacob's Ladder, blue, white, mixed.

Rehmannia, new hybrids, beautiful, mixed.

Rocket, Sweet, splendid, Phlox-like, fragrant, mxd.

Salvia, Hardy, choice mxd.

Scabiosa caucasica, mixed.

Silene orientalis, mixed.

Sweet William, single, double, mixed.

Verbascum, 5 feet, mixed.

Wallflower, hardy, mixed.

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Angelonia grandiflora, white, red, fine for pots.

Asparagus Sprengeri, fine plant for pots, vases.

Plumosa, lovely Lace Fern, exquisite foliage.

Tenuissimus, fine for pots.

Superbus, very beautiful. All sorts mixed.

Browallia, large-flowered, blue, white, mixed.

Boston Smilax, lovely trellis vine, fine to cut.

Begonias, all sorts, mixed.

Calceolaria, large-flowered, splendid, mixed.

Carnation, Winter-blooming, mixed.

Chrysanthemum, Fall, Double, fine mixed.

Coleus, splendid, Fancy sorts, mixed.

New Willow-leaved, new, very beautiful, mixed.

Citrus grandiflora, splendid, finest mixed.

Cyclamen, Large-flowered, finest mixed.

Cyperus, Umbrella Plant, graceful foliage, mixed.

Eupatorium, winter-blooming, mixed.

Fuchsia, Hybrids, mixed.

Gloxinia grandiflora, finest mixed. Seeds small.

Gazania grandiflora, finest mixed. Fine for pots.

Heliotrope, all colors, large sorts mixed.

New Regal, large-flowered, all colors, mixed.

Lantana, Tall and Dwarf, finest mixed.

Lobelia, new sorts, for baskets, mixed.

Nicotiana, New Hybrids, mixed.

Primula, New French Giant, mixed.

Obconica gigantea, mixed.

Grandiflora, fine, mixed

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From Michigan.—Mr. Park: I am much pleased with your dear little Magazine. It is rightly named, and leads us to higher thinking and living, because it helps to fix our minds on the beautiful flowers—"God's thoughts" they are sweetly called. Oh, how I love them, and strive to divide with the sick and those in trouble. I have a young Oleander which has just lost its beauty by sending its lovely little roses (as my little granddaughter calls them) to those who need cheer and sunshine in their homes. My Christian Japsus and my blossoms are sweet, silent messengers, working for the blessed Master. May He bless this effort of yours toward upbuilding our youth, teaching purity and righteousness, for the flowers certainly tell the "wonderful story of love." And loving and caring for these choice friends of ours helps us crowd out the desire for card playing or dancing. Trusting you may be spared many years to carry on your most excellent work, I am, Yours sincerely, Cheboygan Co., Mich. Mrs. D. E. Culver.

From Texas.—Mr. Park: I am writing you in behalf of the old-fashioned Mourning Bride (Scabiosa atropurpurea), a flower our mothers used to raise. I have them this year, and they are so thrifty and green, and have such pretty clean leaves, that I have dug up some and placed with my house flowers, and am expecting them, with slight protection, to live through the winter, and give me lots of nice blooms in the spring, as my Sweet William did last year. I've never seen the blooms, and am impatient for spring to come. So I can see, for I am searching for perennials in order to save planting every year.

Mrs. F. Russell.

Callahan Co., Texas, Nov. 26, 1915.

[Note.—Mourning Bride is an annual, though the plants may be started in Autumn, and will endure the winter, just as Centaurea cyanus (Bachelor's Button) will do. The Dwarf varieties are more compact in growth, and flower well in the window in winter when grown in pots. Scabiosa Caucasicas is a true perennial, and one of the most exquisite of hardy garden flowers. It is much used in Europe for cutting, and would be popular in this country for that purpose if it were better known.—Ed.]

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CORRESPONDENCE.

From Missouri.—Mr. Park:—While seated here with a pile of Floral Magazines on either side, I have been partaking of a feast of good things, for the Magazine is always interesting. Are not the writers my brothers and sisters frantically, just as well as members of the church, religiously, the lodge fraternally, or my brothers and sisters naturally? I feel they are, and it's nice to think so anyway. Reading a poem about Violets reminds me I gathered some Violets in the lower Rio Grande Valley last year very soon after the New Year's day. There were also Roses blooming amid the ruins and desolation of the war in Mexico. I gathered some very beautiful ones on January 9th in the city of Matamoros, near the scenes where many had died not long before. Knowing poverty in boyhood days I planned to go to the city to work. Possibly my companions would have been of the lowest order, and perhaps my home in the slums, but reading Park's Floral Magazine awakened in me a love for Nature, a fondness for flowers and a desire to live in the country; to wander in the woodland and watch for the first Violets of spring, the Sweet Williams, Ferns and Wild Honeysuckle, the Red Bud Hawthorn and Crab Apple blossoms, and to enjoy the perfume of the flowers, the Wild Grape's bloom, and the songs of the birds, throughout the summer, until the Golden Rod and Wild Asters come, and the fruits and nuts are ripe and falling, and the leaves of the Sumac and Maple turn scarlet and gold. And so I am in the country. May we, like the flowers and the leaves, grow more beautiful in good deeds and kind acts, until God shall take us home "and the former things have passed away."

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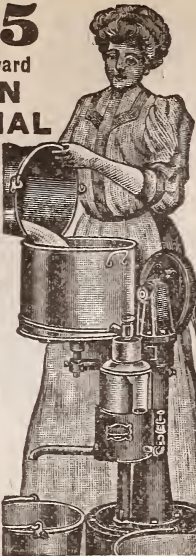
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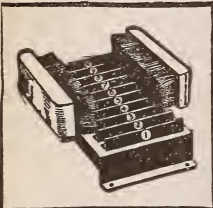
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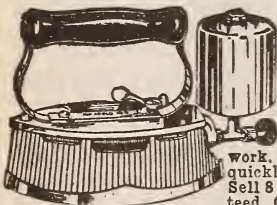


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CORRESPONDENCE.

From S. Carolina.—Mr. Park: I enjoy the Magazine very much, and find it a help to me in my flower culture. I began my flower garden about two years ago, and did not intend to get so enthusiastic when I began; but the love of flowers, when encouraged a little, developed very rapidly, until now I am afraid I am somewhat of a flora-maniac. Anyhow, I'm all the time getting up clubs, trying to get a few more Roses, Dahlias, Chrysanthemums, or some kind of bulbs. I now have 80 varieties of Roses, 8 of Dahlias, and 20 of Chrysanthemums. I border my beds with Violets, Candytuft, and Pansies. I made it a rule that as soon as a Rose bush grows a little to make a cutting or two from it, so if anything happens to the original I can replace it.

I have been trying to encourage the Bluebirds to build near my garden, and have put up eight nesting boxes, which I made from hollow Sourwood logs secured from the woods when getting up wood. I used some of about 3 inches in diameter, hollow, and the birds inspect them every day or two; so I think I will have several pairs to use them this year. I have put up gourds for three years for Martens, but have never succeeded in getting them to build. They come every spring and inspect my gourds, and then go away. I think the trouble is my gourds are too small. I think they would hold about three quarts. A neighbor had some larger ones, and got four pairs to use them last year. I live right in the woods, and enjoy observing Nature very much. Birds, squirrels, wild flowers, trees, weeds, and grasses are all very interesting to me; also, I have a collection of Indian relics. Your friend,

George M. Davis.

Clinton, S. C., Jan. 26, 1915.

From Florida.—Mr. Park: I am quite interested in plants and flowers. I have lived in Texas some years, buying a few plants every year. Now I am in Southern Florida, on the south end of Lake Okechobee, living in a fishing camp, 115 miles from Fort Myers. I have lived all winter in a camp, having a paper roof, and two sides closed with Palmetto fans, the other sides, east and south, being open. A Rubber tree, five feet in circumference, gives shade from the east end. We live on a sand island a mile long, and when water is up in wet weather, is only about 50 yards wide. This is thickly covered with Rubber, Cypress, Palmetto, Pawpaw, and Custard Apple-trees, so tightly covered in summer with Fiti, Liana, Moon Morning Glory (all white, with 5-inch or 6-inch Trumpet flowers), and a kind of wild Bean, as to be almost impassable during summer. The beans live all winter, the blooms pink and yellow. There are a lot of hogson the island, but they do not eat the beans. I haven't seen a horse or a cow in eight months. There are no honey bees.

George Mott.

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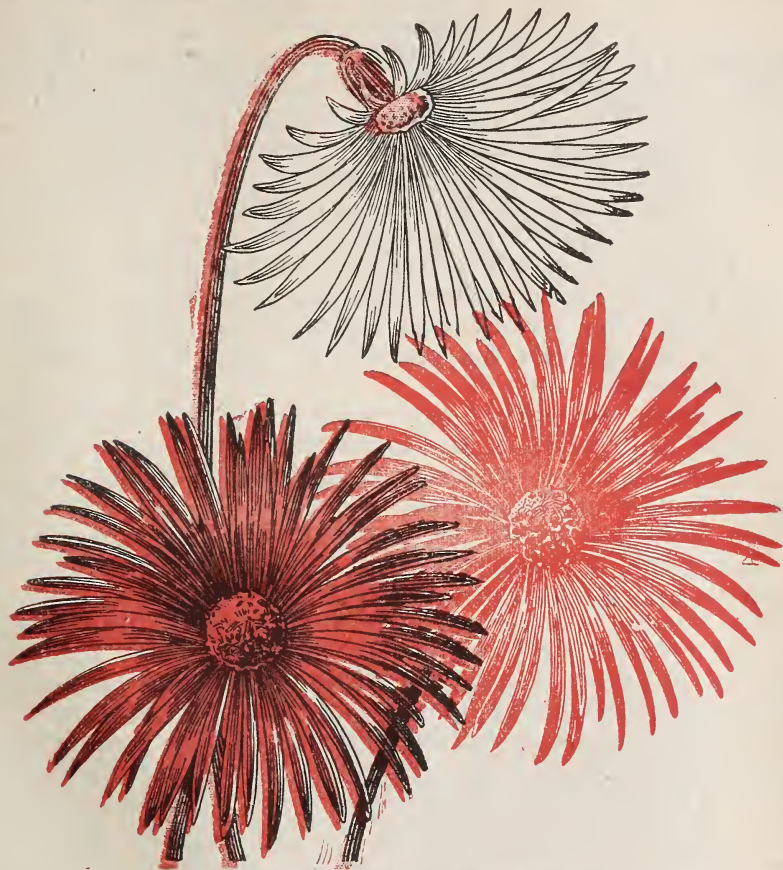
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For cultivation the central part of the peninsula is by far the best, the soil being of more substance, and better adapted to the growth of vegetation. Clearwater, the County seat, is in the midst of immense groves of Oranges, Grape Fruit, Tangerines, Kumquats, and Lemons, and the more tender fruits are grown to perfection here, as Avocado Pears, Guavas, Paw-paws, Surinam Cherries, Mangos, Loquats and Tunas. Peaches also do well, as also Pears, Grapes, etc.

To this Paradise of America I invite the readers of this Magazine—people who love flowers and fruits and the exquisite home beauty and advantages of perpetual summer. I have many elegant properties to offer, and they can be purchased now at much less cost than a few years later, as this New County, to which speedy Pullman trains run daily direct from and to New York, is being fast taken up as homes by those who wish to live in a place easy of access that is free from the extreme cold and heat to which the Northern States are subject. Here are a few of the larger properties I have to offer :

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MARCH.

Over the fields where the dead grass lies,
Where the wild March winds are blowing,
And the red Dogwood around the marsh,
In the bright sun's rays is glowing,
We hear the croaking of little frogs,
And returning birds in song,
Announcing daily that spring is here,
With its happy, blooming throng.

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Mrs. Emma P. Ford.

THE DWARF POLYGONUM.

MOST OF those who are interested in garden flowers know and admire the old-fashioned, hardy annual popularly known as Cat-tail and Ragged Sailor,

but in catalogues as *Polygonum orientale*. When once introduced it takes care of itself, the plants springing up from self-sown seeds early in spring, and by fall attaining the height of six or eight feet, branching, and forming a tree, from the drooping branches of which hang an abundance of pretty, showy, crimson flower clusters, making a handsome display from mid-summer until frost. These slender, tail-like clusters do not fade until the seeds ripen, for the calyx of each flower is persistent and colored, like that of the *Salvia*, and hence the show is continuous throughout the summer and autumn.

Florists have developed a white-flowered

variety, and one having variegated foliage, both of which are worth cultivating; but the most useful of the introductions is a race of dwarf, compact-growing, free-flowering sorts known as *Polygonum orientale pumilum*. These are just as hardy and easily grown as the species, and can be sown in autumn or very early in spring, to form a low hedge or border. The plants grow about eighteen inches high, branch freely, and should stand a foot apart. They soon form a dense mass of handsome foliage, making a fine background for the beautiful weeping clusters of carmine and white flowers. These elegant varieties of dwarf Oriental *Polygonum* should

be better known.

Anybody can grow them, and their graceful, drooping form and attractive colors commend them to everyone who wishes a handsome display of rare flowers at a nominal cost. Why not give them a trial this season.

The seeds can be sown where the plants are to bloom, the earlier in spring the better, as frost will not hurt the young plants. They can also be sown in a seed-bed and transplanted. Those who have grown only the tall varieties will be surprised and pleased at these compact plants.



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Paper White Narcissus.—After these have bloomed in water during the winter, the bulbs may as well be discarded. At the South they might be planted in the garden, where they will produce bloom in the course of two or three years. At the North they are not worth saving.

Christmas Cactus.—When a Christmas Cactus drops its buds or seems sickly in foliage, it is an evidence that the soil is too wet and tenacious or that the drainage is insufficient. The plant likes a very sandy soil, and blooms more freely when root-bound, but it must not have its roots so crowded as to obstruct the drainage. When the soil becomes sour it injures or destroys the roots, and when in that condition, the only remedy is to reset the plant or divide it up and start new plants from the cuttings. Many persons, when the foliage of a Christmas Cactus begins to drop off, apply more water, the very thing that should be avoided. Never water the plants so as to keep the soil continuously wet.

For Shade.—For a shady place where plants get only the early forenoon sun, the hardy *Hydrangeas paniculata* and *arborescens*, also *Clethra alnifolia* or Pepper Bush are suitable. Among herbaceous plants *Begonia Evansiana*, which grows from one and one-half to two feet high, *Saxifraga peltata*, which throws up a scape one foot long, bearing clusters of flowers in early spring, followed by rather tropical foliage, and *Fragaria indica* and *Kenilworth Ivy*, which grow close to the ground, will all thrive well. Among half hardy or tender plants, *Caladium esculentum* is one of the best, making immense leaves if the plants are kept well watered; also *Impatiens Sultanii*, a very beautiful plant that will bloom freely throughout the summer and autumn. As vines for a dense shady place, nothing is better than the *Parlor Ivy* and *Adlumia cirrhosa*. These vines will grow freely in a dense shade. As a basket plant for a dense shady place, *Kenilworth Ivy* is unsurpassed. Any of these herbaceous plants can be propagated from seeds. The shrubs, however, are started from cuttings.

CYCLAMEN.

MANY PERSONS inquire about the treatment of Cyclamen. Some complain that the leaves curl and dry up; others that the roots decay; and still others that the plants do not grow. The plants are very sensitive to drouth. While they should be grown in a compost of rich, sandy loam, with good drainage, and should not be watered copiously, yet they must not be allowed to dry out. The soil must be kept continuously moist, though not wet. If the pots are placed in a sunny window, where the sun rays will strike their sides, the soil will quickly dry out from the action of the rays, and the roots will be injured by the drouth and heat. To overcome this trouble set the pots in a larger vessel, packing sphagnum moss in the space between, then water regularly, but not so as to keep the soil continuously wet, though



moist. Syringe the foliage at least two or three times a week on both sides to prevent an attack of red spider, which works upon the under side of the leaves and causes them to curl and dry. Promote an even, moist temperature by placing shallow, open pans of water upon the register or stove to evaporate, and on severe cold nights removing the pots from the window to a warmer part of the room until morning. Keeping the soil continuously moist, though not wet, syringing the foliage frequently, and paying attention to the temperature and moist atmosphere of the room, will insure success with these beautiful winter-blooming plants.

Narcissus Not Blooming.—A subscriber complains that her *Narcissus* bulbs, kept over winter and planted early in spring, failed to grow until the next season, and then produced nothing but leaves. Bulbs will sometimes do this. Lily bulbs simply transplanted will sometimes lie dormant for a year. The time to buy and plant *Narcissus*, *Tulip*, *Hyacinth* and *Crocus* bulbs is in the autumn, and they should be planted then while in good condition. Never delay the planting until spring. You may succeed by deferred planting, but you are more likely to fail.

Hydrangea paniculata.—A subscriber asks why the flowers of *Hydrangea paniculata* turn brown and rusty, and wants to know what she should do to prevent it. It is natural for the flowers to fade in this way, and even when turning brown they are quite ornamental. The only way she can overcome the trouble is by dyeing the flowers. If she will cut the clusters in autumn and dye them, they will retain their shape, and may be used for winter bouquets.

*Nemophila maculata.*

The Pretty Nemophila.—One of the handsomest of the early-blooming hardy annuals is *Nemophila maculata*, a native California flower. The seeds can be sown late in autumn or early in spring, and the bushy little plants will soon become a mass of lovely spotted flowers, delicate in texture, and remain so for some time. As hot weather approaches the little plants become exhausted and disappear, but the fallen seeds will, in due time, spring up and make bright the same bed. The color is white with brown-red or purplish-violet spots, odd and strikingly beautiful. There are many other kinds of *Nemophila*, and all are deserving of cultivation. They should be better known.

Stemless Flowers.—When Tulips, Hyacinths, and other bulbous flowers try to bloom before the buds are out of the ground it is because the bulbs have no roots. When well-rooted the bulbs will develop normal flower stems.

About Cactuses.—When Cactuses become spotted, and portions of the blades turn brown and die, it is an indication that they have been attacked by a fungus. To get rid of the disease cut away and burn the affected parts, and dust the remaining part with lime and sulphur, equal parts, applied through a dust bag. At the same time it is well to withhold watering the plants until the soil is almost dry, and keep it so for several weeks, giving the plants a sunny situation.

Florist's Chrysanthemum.—A florist's Chrysanthemum that has been wintered in the cellar can be bedded out in the spring after severe frosts are past, the tops having been cut off near to the ground. If it is to occupy a permanent place out-doors, give it a southern exposure near to a wall or building, so that it will be somewhat protected from the frosts of autumn.

CAMPANULA.

THERE ARE a great many species of Campanula, some of which are annuals, some biennials, and some perennials. The annuals begin to bloom a few weeks after the seeds are sown, and continue to bloom during the summer. The biennials become strong plants the first season when started in the spring, and come into bloom the second season early in summer, remaining in bloom for several weeks. These Campanulas are known as Canterbury Bell, of which there are double and single flowers, and a race known as *C. Calycanthema*, the corolla of which is set in a cup, from which the name of Cup and Saucer Campanula is derived. These are exquisite and showy flowers, the plants growing from two to three feet high according to the situation, soil and cultivation, branching out in the form of a tree, and thickly set with their large, beautiful bell-like flowers.



CAMPANULA MEDIUM OR CANTERBURY BELLS.

The colors range from red to carmine, and from light blue to dark blue, and there are striped varieties in both the red and blue colors. These Campanulas like a dry, well-drained, sandy soil. In a low situation where the soil is tenacious, they suffer from a blight which will sometimes destroy the plants. Avoid covering the plants. It is even better to remove some of the dense lower leaves during early spring, to let the air into the crown of the plants.

There are a great many species of Perennial Campanula, some of which are very beautiful and deserve to be generally cultivated. Some will grow six feet high, wreathed with flowers trained to the summit. The colors are mostly white and blue. *Campanula Turbinata* is a

fine edging or border plant, spreading in character, and bearing an abundance of large, showy white and blue flowers. It is easily grown and perfectly hardy. *Campanula Glomerata* is of taller growth, bearing its flowers in clusters at the summit of the plant. In the rockery of the Botanic Gardens many other species are found, some of them low in growth, bearing small flowers, while others grow from one to three feet high, bearing masses of showy flowers, requiring the plant to be staked. The majority of these rare but handsome kinds are Alpine plants, and will not endure the low moist character of the soil in an ordinary garden. Some of them, even, are grown in coarse sand, to imitate the soil where they grow upon the mountain side.

There are several very beautiful Campanulas much used in Germany for growing in window boxes and baskets. Perhaps the most popular of these are *Campanula Garganica* and *Campanula fragilis*, both of a drooping character and well adapted for either baskets or window boxes. They seem to bloom continuously throughout the summer and autumn, and make a fine display. They come in both white and blue colors, the flowers being about one inch across, star-like, and very abundantly produced. *C. rotundifolia* is the beautiful little Blue Bell of Scotland, It decorates the Scottish roadsides with its blue drooping bells, produced throughout the season.

When I visited Abbotsford, the home of Sir Walter Scott, near Melrose, Scotland, I found these charming little Blue Bells bedecking the green sward of the roadside almost the whole distance from Melrose. They were particularly attractive among the dewy grass, illuminated by the bright morning sun. In America we have several handsome species adorning the pretty shaded borders of the woodland. One of these, *C. Americana*, is often seen four feet high, branching like a tree, and thickly set with lovely blue flowers one inch in diameter. It is a species deserving of cultivation. In old-fashioned gardens there is a species often called Heatherbell, which was introduced from England in the days of the pioneers. It is a tenacious species, growing about two feet high, mostly without branches, and set with beautiful drooping blue flowers, which develop as the stem lengthens, thus remaining a long time in bloom. It is usually advertised under the name of *C. Rapunculoides*. The roots of *C. Rapunculus*, an English species, are edible and sold in the markets of London under the name of Rampion. All of these Campanulas are readily raised from seeds, and practically all are worthy of cultivation.

Norfolk Pine.—This plant is easily grown, but it should have a sandy and well-drained soil, and care should be taken in watering, as too much water about the roots will injure them and cause the plant to turn brown, droop and die.

CHILDREN'S LETTER



Y DEAR CHILDREN:—This is a wet, dismal day. The sky is entirely overcast with grayish clouds that, at times, weep freely, making the earth and the shrubs and trees and fences dark and clammy, and cold. And yet, the day is not without its signs of approaching spring. As I write a little Song

Sparrow perched upon a bough of the Locust tree by the path calls to me, "I've returned, I've returned to greet the spring flowers," while the red Maple across the way waves its pretty budded wands as if in assent. Near my window is a thrifty young Buttonwood tree that for many weeks has been devoid of foliage, but which has been a source of admiration every morning during the winter, not simply because of its robust, graceful form, but because of its many swaying globular buttons which decorate the base part of the nude young branches, each little rough, brown ball dancing and swinging from its fairy-like cord at the tip of a tiny stem. How life-like they seem! Clambering over the tips of branches are some dead Gourd-vines that still have a death grip of their support with their tendrils fingers and seem loth to let go. I recall the summer beauty of leaf and flower and fruit in past days, and thus a bright and happy vision comes to me on this gloomy winter day. Now the plump, green bark and fat buds of the stately branches of the Buttonwood give promise of an early awakening of the sleep-



BUTTONWOOD BALL.



FORSYTHIA SPRAY AND PLANT.



ing young foliage, and we feel almost impatient to see the pretty leaves develop, and the little clusters of blooms again appear.

Over by the barn two big clumps of Forsythia or Golden Bells have already taken on a golden hue, and in fancy we can see the glory of the golden display that will soon greet our eyes. The native swamp Alder, *Alnus serrulata*, now shows its pretty swelling buds, as also the Hazel. It seems that Nature never forgets or lags behind, for these buds are always seen when the foliage fades and drops off in the autumn. The nude green stems of the hardy Jasmine nudiflorum are ready and waiting to open their golden flowers and hail the sunshine and showers of early spring, and the Willow attests by its rich yellow twigs that its life-blood is pushing up from the earth, and will soon liberate the baby buds and clothe the tree with exquisite foliage.



SKUNK CABBAGE.

Over in the bog by the little brook where the frogs hold their early spring concerts the Skunk Cabbage is displaying its group of pretty red, yellow and chocolate colors in beautiful contrast, the Calla-like blooms scarcely more than above the ground. They are our earliest flowers, and always give us a cordial spring greeting. At a later period we would hardly appreciate them.

For a fortnight past a Robin has been feasting upon the little crab apples that are not larger than cherries, and are apparently produced just for the birds. The tree was very beautiful when in bloom last spring, and a pair of Robins made their nest in its forks, and had four little eggs in it, when a robber cat pulled it down and broke the eggs. In autumn the branches were wreaths of reddish golden fruits, which hung all winter upon their little stems. Now the buds are swelling again for a glorious flower display. *Pyrus baccata* is the name of this beautiful and useful tree that gives us such a wealth of fragrant Apple bloom every spring.



FRUITS OF PYRUS BACCATA.

When I write next month the Robins will all have returned, and with the Meadow Larks and Song Sparrows, and the croaking frogs together with the blooming Hyacinths, Tulips, Daffodils and early-flowering shrubs we will realize that spring is indeed with us once more. We anticipate its coming. We almost hear its joyous music and feast our eyes upon its supernal beauty. "Come, gentle Spring, ethereal mildness, come," we shall give you a glad welcome, and rejoice at Nature's glorious resurrection! Your Friend,

LaPark, Pa., Feb. 24, 1915. Geo. W. Park.

THE TREATMENT OF PELARGONIUMS.

THE FANCY Geraniums or Pelargoniums are among the most beautiful of window plants, blooming in late winter and early spring. They are readily started in spring and late summer, say the last of July, by root or top cuttings inserted in boxes of sand with a pane of glass over, keeping the sand moist, but not wet, until the growth starts, when they may be potted in three-inch pots of sandy loam. The pots can be plunged in a shallow tray with sphagnum moss around, but care must be taken at all times, not to over-water, as the roots of Pelargoniums are very sensitive to too much water. Keep chopped tobacco stems over the soil in the pots at all times to prevent an attack of aphids, which is very fond of this plant. Syringe the foliage frequently, but avoid watering freely. In the autumn shift into larger pots as required, and pinch back the growth to make the plants bushy. In autumn, water more sparingly, keeping the soil just moist enough to prevent the plants from withering. The plants may be kept in this condition through the early part of winter, giving them a rather cool temperature, but one that does not fall below 45 degrees at night. When you wish the plants to become active, apply a little more water and give more heat and sunlight. When the buds appear, an occasional application of weak liquid manure will be beneficial, but at all times, avoid watering too freely. As a rule, it is better to let the soil become almost dry, then water thoroughly and avoid watering again until the dryness is repeated. Avoid direct sunlight when the plants are blooming, and keep in a rather cool temperature. When through blooming, head the plants back to about three or four eyes, and begin applying water. When growth begins take the plants out of the pots, shake the soil away, and repot in pots of the same size. Shade for a few days until the plants overcome the shock, and encourage new growth. A little bone dust stirred into the surface soil, and syringing the foliage daily, will promote a free and healthy growth, and by cutting the tips of the branches, a bushy plant will be secured. The two very important precautions in the culture of the plants of Pelargonium are, to avoid watering too freely, and to keep chopped tobacco stems over the soil to prevent an attack of aphids. These cultural hints are simple, but if heeded, they will enable anyone to secure a fine display of the beautiful Pelargonium flowers every spring.

Bird of Paradise.—This is the common name of Poinciana Gillesi, which is a hardy plant in the South, but must be grown as a pot plant at the North. The seeds germinate readily, and the plants soon become large enough to bloom. The flowers are very attractive and graceful, and are freely borne throughout the autumn.

STARTING HARD SEEDS.

SUCH SEEDS as Cannas, Job's Tears, Acacia Lophantha, and Genista Andreana should be soaked for several days before planting, in order to have them germinate promptly. Place the seeds in a cup, pour some water over them that is somewhat hotter than the hand will bear, and place the cup where the water will be kept moderately warm, as over a radiator or upon a stove shelf. Some seeds will bear longer soaking than others, but the hard-shelled seeds require a longer time soaking than those that are more sensitive to water. When seeds are placed in water they should be examined frequently to note their condition, so they can be planted before they form sprouts. Many hard-shelled seeds are condemned as worthless before they have had time to be affected with moisture. Some seeds will even lie dormant in the ground for several years before they germinate. In sowing all kinds of seeds, it would be well to study a germination table before condemning them, so that some idea may be obtained as to the length of time required for germination, as some annual seeds will germinate in two or three days, while others, especially some perennials and shrubs, require from two to three years for the seeds to start.

Crinum Kirkii.—This and other tender Crinums like a rather large vessel in which to grow, as the bulbs are very large. They can be potted with the neck above the soil, but in the South, where they are planted out, they should be set much deeper, most of the bulb being below the surface. A rich, porous, well-drained soil is necessary, and the plants grow all the better if in full sunshine. In the winter the plants should be given a period of rest by partially withholding water. A large bulb, one weighing from two to four pounds, should be grown in a candy bucket or keg, or a vessel of similar size, so as to afford nourishment for the roots. Crinum Powelii is hardy, but the bulbs should be grown in sandy, well-drained soil, and the crown should be protected by an extra covering of straw or leaves during winter, the covering to be removed when danger from frost is past.

Wintering Water Lilies.—The Water Lily can be wintered in the tub in which it is growing. Simply remove the tub to a place where it will not be subject to extremes of temperature. The plants are hardy, and winter well in a rather deep pond outdoors.

Sweet Williams.—These bloom the second year after the seeds are sown. They are spring and summer blooming plants. A hybrid known as Dianthus barbato-chinensis, however, will bloom the first season. Seedlings started in the spring will bloom in autumn. They are similar to S. Williams.

IMPROVED SNAPDRAGONS.

ANTIRRHINUM MAJUS, commonly known as Snapdragon, is a European flower that has been naturalized in England, and in its improved varieties has become very popular for pots, beds and borders. The new giant varieties grow three feet tall; the semi-dwarf or intermediate varieties grow eighteen inches tall, and the Dwarf or Tom Thumb sorts only reach the height of six or eight inches. They all branch freely, and produce their large, handsome flowers in spikes. When liberally cut, so that no seeds are allowed to form, the plants bloom continuously throughout the season. They are much used for garden and park display in the British Islands, and are always attractive and beautiful.

The plants are easily propagated either from seeds or cuttings. Seedlings started early in spring will begin to bloom in mid-summer, and keep in bloom till after frost. If not exhausted by seed-bearing they will endure the winter and bloom the following season. They thrive in a rather sandy, sunny bed, enriched with common barnyard manure. If the soil is tenacious a dressing of sand with some lime added will prove beneficial. The spikes are fine for cutting for vases and bouquets. When grown in pots the plants bloom well in the window or conservatory, and florists are now growing the finer varieties for cut flowers in winter. The demand for the

spikes of cut flowers is increasing as their merits are becoming better known.

The intermediate varieties are the most popular. They have been so improved that the flowers are not only large and of new and pleasing colors and variegations, but they are borne in dense spikes, and the plants are bushy, and even in height. Many are named,

and these are increased by cuttings, to produce a uniform bed. A long, broad border of such named kinds was seen in Phoenix Park, Dublin, Ireland, last summer, the colors appearing in blocks, and the effect was glorious. Probably no other flower could have been used to give such a grand display. All of the new and pleasing colors were in the design, which elicited the enthusiastic admiration of all visitors. The border was raised, and sloped to the lawn, and was probably eight feet broad and an eighth of a mile long. It was a practical example of what the



BLOOMING SPIKES OF IMPROVED SNAPDRAGON.

Improved Snapdragons are worth in bold and pleasing effects.

After-Treatment of Bulbs.—After Freesias, Hyacinths and Narcissus have bloomed in the house, the soil should be kept moist until the tops die, then set the pots away in the cellar and give them no more attention until autumn. The Freesias will bloom again if potted in August. Late in autumn the Hyacinths and Narcissus can be bedded out. If bedded out early they will push up and be injured by the frost.

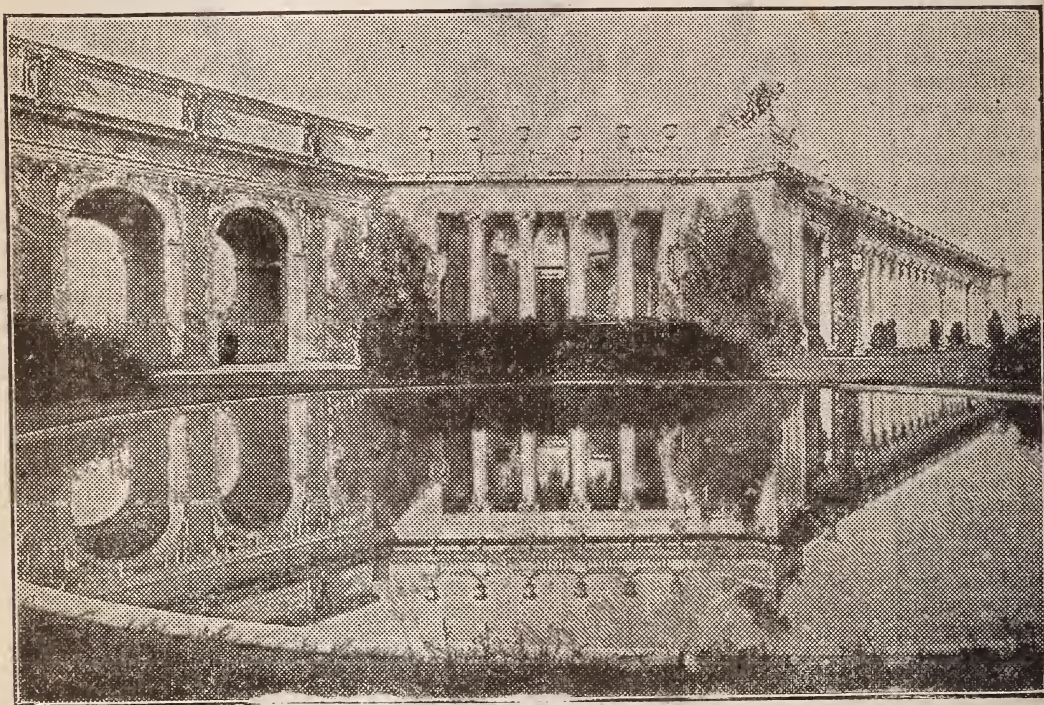
AT THE PANAMA-PACIFIC EXPOSITION.

THE OUT-OF-DOOR horticultural displays of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco have never before been approached. The grounds are on the south shore of the Golden Gate, surrounded on three sides by the rising hills of the city. The land upon which the buildings stand is largely made. When it was decided that the Exposition should be held in San Francisco, and after the site was selected, one million seven hundred thousand cubic yards of sand and silt were pumped into the fill. Upon top of this was spread fifty thousand cubic yards of the finest loam, and sixteen thousand cubic yards of fertilizer

of Jewels, which rises 435 feet into the air, and is decorated with 125,000 glass jewels.

Three sunken pools with large statuary groups, and surrounded by travertine marble balustrades, form the center-piece of the gardens. More than two million flowering plants have been set out in this area alone, and the rotations have been so arranged that at all times there will be blooming varieties in all of the beds.

A quarter of a million yellow Pansies are now in full bloom, and these will be followed and augmented by a million Tulips, 250,000 Jonquils, the same number of Hyacinths, and the same number of Daffodils. The beds are bordered by Box, which is kept low by means of wire which is passed over the branches, and held about six inches from the ground.



COURT OF THE FOUR SEASONS, PANAMA-PACIFIC EXPOSITION.

The western portals are to the left, and to the right, courts extending to the Marina and San Francisco bay. There are many of these beautiful sunken pools in the various courts, reflecting, mirror-like, the splendor of the architectural and sculptural adornment. The facade extending toward the bay is that of the Palace of Food Products. were stirred in, thus making a seed bed with every attribute necessary for the growing of plants.

Separating the grounds from the city is a wall 27 feet in height, made of scaffolding, with flats of growing Mesembryanthemum or Ice Plant. There are eighty-eight hundred of these flats, two feet by six feet, in the wall. A system of sprinklers is installed along the top of the wall, so that the plants shall have enough moisture to keep green during the whole year. The effect produced is very like the top-worked hedges in the older gardens of Italy and the south of France.

The South Gardens are entered from the main entrance to the Exposition. To the left and right are the Horticultural Palace, with its beautiful glass dome, and the Festival Hall. Immediately facing the entrance is the Tower

Between the South Gardens and the facade of the buildings is the Avenue of Palms alone, which are four rows of Palm trees. Beautiful green lawns border this avenue, while against the ivory-tinted buildings are groups of trees and shrubs.

The trees have all been transplanted by the box method, which consists of building a heavy box around the roots, and at the end of about eight months of cutting the big roots and transplanting the box with the tree. Many of the biggest Palm trees on the grounds were loaned to the Exposition by public-spirited citizens of California, and these will be transplanted when the Exposition is finished.

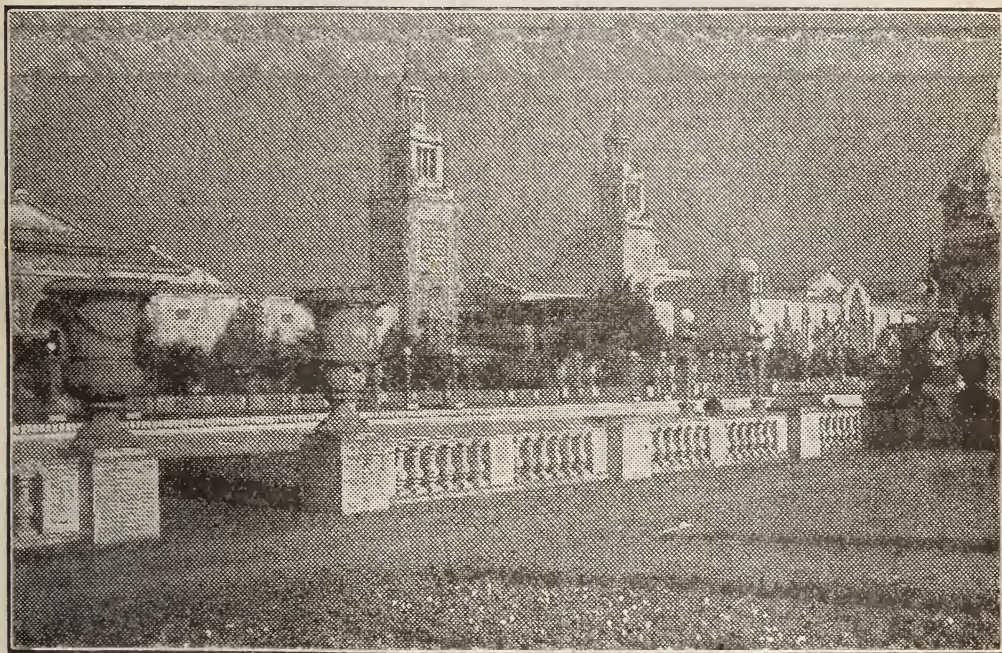
By this method many huge Fir, Eucalyptus, Palms, Orange, Pine, Italian Cypress, and many other kinds were brought from all parts of the country, and are growing along the

paths and banked in the vistas. Festival Hall is completely surrounded by gardens in which Hydrangeas are used. The slope has been arranged so that the plants rise as the building is approached, and the full benefit of all the bloom is obtained.

In the great central Court of the Universe is the sunken garden with its two great luminous columns, representing respectively the rising and the setting sun. The plantings here are formal, being largely of lawns with Heather, Lilac and Roses used as bordering shrubs. The Court of the Four Seasons is a circular court, in the center of which is a circular pool surrounded by a Box hedge four feet high. A very unique effect is obtained in the four niches, in which is statuary representing the four seasons by the use of trailing Aspar-

ornaments, and the workers, were sent direct to San Francisco from Tokyo. Within the Palace of Horticulture are extensive collections from the warmer climes. A large number of rare Palms, including the bearing date, and the bowl Palms, are shown.

From the Philippine Islands has come a collection of over three thousand orchids, valued at more than twenty thousand dollars. There are more than three hundred distinct species in this collection. Many of these are shown for the first time, as they are known to grow only in the fever-laden air of the interior swamps, where it is impossible for the white man to live. This collection is by all odds the most important as well as the largest of this flower that has ever been made. There are many other rare and beautiful flowers and



COURT OF FLOWERS AND OTHER BUILDINGS, PANAMA-PACIFIC EXPOSITION.

Looking across the South Gardens, to the Italian towers of the Court of Flowers at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition. To the extreme right of the picture is seen the dome of Small Festival Hall, where is installed the world's greatest organ. The building to the extreme left is the Palace of Manufactures, and on the right of the Italian Towers, the Palace of Varied Industries, two of the eleven major exhibit palaces. The flowers of the foreground are Pansies, of which there are 200,000 plants in bloom in the South Gardens.

agus and Ivy from shelves located close under the eaves. In the two minor courts of Flowers and Palms the flower beds are bordered by Heather and Box, and many trained shrubs and small trees are used.

Along the shore of San Francisco Bay is the marina, or Marine Gardens, which are very large and unbroken either by statuary or borderings. The main garden is a lawn several acres in size, with the main plantings banked against the buildings. Around the State buildings and the foreign pavilions are gardens planted and planned by the owners of the sites.

The Japanese gardens are very beautiful. They are four acres in extent, and show the art as it is practiced in Japan. All of the settings, including the stones, the bridges, the

plants under the huge glass dome of this immense building.

In every department the Exposition shows the same attention to detail which has made of this horticultural exhibit the forerunner of all other exhibits. No pains have been spared to make each line of man's activity a worthy record of what the world is doing to-day.

Leonard Carpenter.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 9, 1915.

Thunbergia.—Last spring I planted Thunbergia in my bulb bed, and by hot weather had a carpet of pretty green starred with flowers of buff, orange and white, some with black eyes and some without. They were fine until the frost came.

Washington Co., Oreg. Mrs. B. H. Jones.



EDITORIAL LETTER.

MY DEAR FRIENDS:—You will be interested in a peep into the green-houses on this bright February day. The first thing that attracts your attention as we enter is a group of the rare and beautiful *Acalypha Sanderi*. The plants are not more than three feet tall, are branching, and from the axil of each leaf hangs a beautiful fluffy rosy-carmine tail a half inch in diameter and upwards of a foot in length. The leaves are bright green, and the contrast between the flowers and foliage is indeed pleasing. Further on are other species of *Acalypha*, as *A. triumphans*, with variegated foliage in soft, rich colors, not unlike that of autumn leaves; and *A. bicolor*,



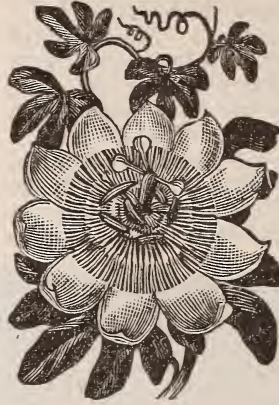
ACALYPHA SANDERI.

showing green leaves marked with yellow, and with a distinct yellow margin. These are valuable only for their foliage, and are effective window plants at the North, while at the South they are very decorative when planted out, specimens often appearing eight feet high, dense and globular, and admirable in form and foliage. *A. Sanderi*, however, is an exceedingly handsome plant, both in foliage and flowers, and it seems surprising that it is not generally grown, as it does not require special care. All are propagated from cuttings inserted in sand early in spring.

"Oh, what is that lovely Morning Glory-like vine with flowers an inch and a half across, exquisite Primrose-yellow with a crimson eye? How beautiful!" Why, it's just the annual known as *Convolvulus aureus superbus*. It is readily started from seeds by anyone, and when it begins to bloom, a few weeks after the plants are started, it forgets to stop, and continues to develop its little clusters on through the winter. It will climb a string or cover a trellis, and is exquisite for the window or conservatory. It could also be used as a screen out-doors in summer. The flowers last all day when shaded from the direct sun-rays. The

vine is rare, because few persons know of it. The seeds may be purchased at 5 cents per packet.

Beyond you notice the showy, massive vine covered with clusters of exquisitely-textured lavender flowers three inches across. That is *Thunbergia grandiflora*, which I have spoken of before. It is hardy in the South, and one of the most admirable of vines for shading and beautifying a porch. At the North it must be grown in a pot, but is simple in culture, and should be in every window collection.



PASSION FLOWER.

Further on, I want you to see the big, robust, spreading vine with trilobed leaves, and a long, graceful tendril and big fat green bud at every axil. Did you ever see such a lot of tendrils and buds—hundreds and hundreds, every slender branch a wreath of foliage and tendrils and buds. It is wonderful! and how beautiful will be the display in a few days when the flowers open! The vine is *Passiflora Pfordti*, the most desirable of all the Passion Vines for amateur cultivation in pots. But did you ever examine the flower? First there is an involucre of three bracts, then a short stem which bears the flower, which is about five inches in diameter. It consists of five broad green sepals, the inner side almost white; then five equally long violet-colored petals; next a mass of chocolate-colored stamens, and rising from the center is the pistil, bearing aloft a peculiar cross-shaped stigma. Thus the flower is not only showy and beautiful, but very interesting.

Near to this vine is a group of weeping green stems decorated with pretty scarlet bloom. That is *Russelia multiflora*, sometimes called Fountain Plant on account of its graceful form. And near to these lovely plants is a bed of fresh green foliage above which appear showy clusters of crimson-scarlet flowers with attractive yellow stamens. This is *Asclepias currassavica atrosanguinea*. It is a plant but little known, but I have found it free and continuous in bloom. I have had it for several years, and do not recall a time when the plants were without flowers. It surely deserves to be popular as a house plant.



CUPHEA PLATYCENTRA.

At the rear of the Ferns you see a group of scarlet flowers with black and white tips, and recognize it as *Cuphea platycentra*, the plants of which are easily grown, and always in

bloom when given a sunny exposure. In summer they bloom well bedded out.

Along the walk beneath the bench you see a row of thorny plants showing exquisite vermilion flowers in clusters upon long stems, both flowers and stems of waxy appearance. That is *Euphorbia splendens*, the so-called Crown of Thorns. The plants are set out of the way to give space to plants that will resent ill-treatment. These will grow under almost any conditions, and always bloom in winter.

Begonias Erfordii, *Luminosa* and *Anna Regina* are showy masses of bloom. They are fine either in summer or winter. *Browallia speciosa* is covered with its charming blue stars. *Abutilons Royal Scarlet*, *Golden Ball* and *Boule de Nieve* are bright with their hanging bells; and *Lantanas* in variety; *Senecio petasites*, with huge golden panicles; *Eupatorium*, with pure white clusters; *Ruellia macrantha*, with graceful scarlet flowers, and here and there groups of foliage *Begonias*, *Achyranthes*, *Vinca variegata* and *Coleus* make the greenhouse a charming place to spend an hour during a bleak, cold winter's day. Come again.

Florally yours,

Geo. W. Park.

La Park, Pa., Feb. 27, 1915.

Repotting.—Perhaps the best time to repot Boston Ferns, *Fuchsias* and *Hydrangeas* is in the early spring, just at the close of their resting period. Use pots about two sizes larger, making the soil firm around the ball of earth, and applying water moderately at first, but more freely after the plants start growth. At the time of repotting, remove all unsightly or partly brown fronds of the fern, and cut back rather severely the plants of *Fuchsia* and *Hydrangea*, so that the sprouts which develop will be vigorous, and of fine appearance. Such growth will also produce the best flowers. These remarks do not apply to the plants intended for early spring blooming. Such plants should be so grown in autumn that they will not need pruning or shifting until they bloom.

Scale on Ferns.—When the fronds of a Fern become badly infested with brown scale, the best treatment that can be given is to cut away the fronds at the base and burn them. Then water sparingly, keeping the plant in a cool, shady place until new fronds begin to unroll. After cutting it is well to scrape the surface soil from the pot and replace it with fresh soil, then cover the surface with chopped tobacco stems or tobacco dust. If this remedy is properly used the scale will entirely disappear.

Florists' Carnations.—These are subject to a rust when the conditions are not favorable to their growth, and when once diseased they are not worth keeping, and should be discarded. Usually the disease is caused by wet, tenacious soil, a dry atmosphere, and extremes of heat and cold.

GIANT SPIDER PLANT.

ONE OF the handsome, well-known annuals is *Cleome gigantea*, introduced from Italy several years ago. The plant grows from two to three feet high, branching freely, each branch bearing a cluster of spider-like flowers with showy sepals of a bright crimson color, the flowers developing continuously as the branches grow. The plant is clothed with very pretty deep-lobed leaves, which form a handsome setting for the clusters of bloom. The flowers are succeeded by long, drooping seed-pods which are also ornamental. The seeds are sown early in spring, and the plants begin to bloom early in summer, continuing in bloom until after frost. The numerous, feathery clusters, held erect by stiff, leafy stems, make a fine display in the shrub border, and as a back-ground for low-growing annuals. Its easy culture and attractiveness commend it to all who want a handsome display of flowers with little outlay of labor and money.



Bulbs in Oklahoma.—Complaints often come from Oklahoma and other far Western states that bulbs of *Hyacinth*, *Crocus*, *Narcissus*, etc., potted in autumn and treated according to directions for winter-blooming bulbs, fail to form roots and bloom. The bulbs become moldy in the soil, instead of throwing out roots and pushing up flowers. This is probably due to alkali in the soil and a surplus of water. A mixture of fresh lime with the soil will probably overcome the action of the alkali and promote the development of the plants. Those who live where the soil is charged with alkali should study the character of the soil, and use the means necessary to overcome the action of the alkali. As a limited amount of soil is used for pot plants, it could be secured from some section where the soil is comparatively free from alkali, and would afford the most satisfactory results in flower growing.

Azaleas.—The Azaleas that are purchased in bloom at Easter can be plunged in a shady place outdoors to remain during the summer and autumn. They may then be lifted and placed in a cool room until mid-winter, then brought to the plant window and given more water and heat, and they will develop their buds. If the plants are not in good condition in autumn, they are not worth saving, and it would be better to buy new blooming plants in the spring for house decoration.

Ragged Robin.—This is the double form of *Lychnis Flosculei*. The single-flowered form is readily propagated from seeds and is a very pretty garden flower. It is sometimes classed as an *Agrostemma*.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Iron Rust.—Mr. Park: What is your opinion of using iron rust as a fertilizer for Roses? I work it in the soil just as I do lime.—W. G., Conn.

Ans.—Iron rust is not especially valuable as a fertilizer, although iron enters more or less into the constitution of plants, and is beneficial, giving a deeper color to foliage, flowers and fruits.

Mealy Bug.—Mr. Park: What shall I do for bugs that get on my Geraniums, Ferns and Dracaenas? They make a white web or nest at the forks of the branches.—Mary B., Penna.

Ans.—A valuable remedy for mealy bug is Quassia chips tea. Steam one ounce of chips in a gallon of water, and after scraping the little nests from their hold, spray the liquid upon the foliage and stems, as warm as the hand will bear.

Geraniums Blasting.—Mr. Park: What is the matter with my Geraniums? They will get full of buds, but the buds dry up and fall off before they develop. The leaves also become spotted and brown.—Mrs. Sides, Penna.

Ans.—The plants are probably attacked by a fungus. Remove and burn the affected leaves, and stir some lime and sulphur into the surface soil. Water rather sparingly for a while, giving a sunny situation. Some bone dust stirred into the soil may also be of benefit. If the plants are root-bound, they should be shifted into larger pots before applying the lime and sulphur.

Boston Ferns.—Mr. Park: My Boston Fern began to turn yellow and I took it out of the pot, examined the roots, and found them moldy. What can I do for it?—Mrs. Spurling, Ohio.

Ans.—Your Boston Fern was doubtless injured by insufficient drainage and keeping the soil too wet. This Fern delights in a rich, porous, well-drained soil, and to promote this condition the plant should be shifted to a larger vessel occasionally. Otherwise, it will become root-bound, the soil will become sour, and the roots will rot and mold, as stated by our inquirer. In preparing soil for a Fern, some dry pulverized moss added to the compost will be found beneficial, as it will lighten the soil, promote drainage and at the same time, prevent drying out.

American Oxalis.—Mr. Park: I have an American Oxalis which has pretty flowers, but they are short-lived. The bulb is dormant during the summer, and the plant begins to bloom in autumn. When I take it indoors it gets spindling and stops blooming. Please advise treatment.—Mrs. H., Wis.

Ans.—The bulbs of your Oxalis should be kept dry until fall, then potted and kept in a rather cool place until rooted. Then bring them to the light of a rather cool window, where the atmosphere is kept moist. The reason your plant becomes spindling and ceases to bloom is because of the hot, dry atmosphere and the change from outdoors to indoors. The atmosphere should be kept cool and moist by evaporation of water. This can be done by placing shallow open pans of water upon the register or radiator. The temperature should not be above 65 or 70 degrees, and the plants should not be subject to extremes of heat and cold.

Cineraria.—Mr. Park: I have a Cineraria that bloomed one year, and this year it came up two or three inches, then stopped growing. It isn't dead. What can I do for it?—Mrs. Thomas, Penn.

Ans.—Your plant should have been rested after blooming, then cut back and repotted, and kept in a cool, shaded place until winter, when it would have bloomed. It is better, however, to raise new plants from seeds every spring. As it is, your plant may not be worth the care and space it receives, and might as well be discarded.

Asparagus Fern.—Mr. Park: I am inclosing a tuber from the roots of an Asparagus Fern, and will be glad to have some information on the subject. My Fern was not doing well, and I repotted it. I found the jar completely filled with these nodules and roots, packed in tightly. Are they necessary to the health of the plant? Did I do right to remove them? Are they of the same nature as the nodules found on Alfalfa roots?—Mrs. Downie, N. Y.



Ans.—A number of species of Asparagus have tuberous roots as indicated in the little engraving. These tubers are in clumps like those of the Dahlia, but are miniature in size compared with Dahlia clumps. The plants will do better if repotted into larger pots, allowing the tubers to remain, as the substance in them is used in throwing out new shoots, making a vigorous development after the plants have had a short period of rest.

Acacia Plants.—Mr. Park: I sent last year for some Acacia seeds. There were sixteen in the packet. I put eight of them in the ground, and every one of them sprouted and grew. How shall I take care of them? Some are twelve inches high, some eighteen, and they do not branch. The under leaves are now beginning to drop.—Nellie Dibble, Del. Co., N. Y., Dec. 3, 1914.

Ans.—Acacia plants drop their leaves when conditions about the roots are unfavorable. To keep the plants in fine condition they should be shifted occasionally, and not allowed to become root-bound. In shifting, always pot them firmly and keep the soil wet. Use very sandy, porous soil, with good drainage. In the summer the plants do well bedded out in a partially shady situation. They will, however, endure the hot sun better than other plants. It is common for the plants to grow upright without spreading, but if you do not want an upright growth, pinch out the center, and encourage wide branches. Acacia Lophantha is a species of Albizzia, and is well adapted for growing in a sheltered nook outdoors in summer. The foliage is as delicate as that of a Fern, and the plants will grow in a sunny place where most Ferns would die. When the plants have been shifted until they occupy from six-inch to ten-inch pots, they will often bloom in early spring, the flowers being like little fluffy balls, mostly of a golden color, and quite fragrant. They are plants easily grown from seeds, and quite as satisfactory for their airy foliage as most of the Ferns.

A BOY'S GARDEN.

LAST SPRING, as usual, I decided that I wanted a flower garden. Now, I am a good-sized chap and able to do my own work, so I began planning and preparing for my flowers, which I felt sure I was going to have. The next week after my decision, I lived in the world of wonders with the flower catalogues, and at first it seemed as if I must have a few seeds of everything, so pleasing were the descriptions and so enticing the pictures. It was a rather tedious, though not an uninteresting job to revise or reduce my list that had first been selected. From the time I sent the order to the time the seeds arrived, I was busy preparing the soil to receive them. And I might add right here that I didn't loaf on the job, either. Sand, woods-mould, and manure were put upon the ground and dug into it, in great quantities.

Then with the Blue-birds and warm sunshine, came the seeds, all new and fresh as the breezy spring day. I lost no time in getting the seeds started into growth. As I planted the seeds, I admired a clump of saucy Johnny-jump-ups, that were holding up their bright faces and laughing at me from their corner of the garden. They were but a taste of the beauties to come and yet, they were a feast for me that day as I worked.

It was not a few times after sowing the seeds that difficulties were met with that had to be mastered. And once or twice during the summer when busily engaged with my work, my mother made her appearance and helped me to solve the problems that were most serious. But, what mother wouldn't come to her son's rescue when she finds him carefully planting Sweet Peas in June, or setting tuberous Begonias upside down, or doing other foolish pranks that a sensible gardener should never do? But, amidst it all, was a pleasure—such a pleasure as I had never before, nor since, experienced. If no good should come from a garden, save the memory of it, it would well be worth the time—I do not dare say trouble, for it is a pleasure to do work that has for it's results nothing but pleasure. How true and beautiful are the words of the poet:

"The kiss of the sun for pardon,
The song of the birds for mirth,
One is nearer God's heart in a garden,
Than any place else on earth."

By the latter part of May, my garden was at its best. Only a few feet in width, but many in length, and planted at the back with Ricinus and Cannas it appeared to be an overgrown row of Cotton when viewed from behind and at a distance, but as you near the row you become conscious of a sudden change when the general outline becomes distinct. Looking directly through the Ricinus one would at first be confused with such a mingled mass of color. Growing in the border was a row of flaming Petunias that fairly illumined the whole row. Between the Ricinus and Petunias could be seen a myriad of bright blos-

soms, each shining like some jewel in a costly setting. Among the Petunias were Pansies arrayed in velvet of the most gorgeous and fantastical colors, while peeping out from the



PLANT OF RICINUS.

terful manner as if it were to give assurance to the smaller plants that all was well.

It is impossible to describe the beauty of that garden, and it was all worked and cared for during the spare time of a young fellow who loves Nature. Am I going to have a flower garden this year? You bet I am.

Sherman, Miss., Feb. 3, 1915. Buford Reid.

Double Zinnias.—Say, flower-lovers, how many of you appreciate the old-fashioned Zinnia? Mine were lovely this past summer.

A lady, one of the kind who cares only for the "specially," said to me "Any one can have Zinnias." With some asperity I replied "Any one can, but not many do." That woman went down the Zinnia rows and took the trouble to observe, and she declared there were many of them as beautiful as a Dahlia. She came again and gathered seed, and is now an enthusiastic admirer of the dependable Zinnia.



Alice.

[Note.—The new Crispa Zinnias have curled and twisted petals, not unlike those of a Japanese Aster, while they are of a great variety of colors. They deserve a trial. The New Mammoth-flowered sorts are as showy as Dahlias.—Ed.]

Orchid-flowering Snapdragon.—I sowed some of these seeds early in the spring in the house and then transplanted by the side of those sowed in the open bed. In a short time they were all the same size, and all bloomed at the same time, and such a variety of colors—white, yellow, pink, rose, scarlet, crimson, and one was lavender. I was much surprised to find them blossoming even after a severe frost. Most comparatively hardy plants will drop their buds after a frost but these developed just as freely as before.

Madison Co., N. Y. Mrs. L. G. Stearns.

THE DOUBLE PETUNIA.

ONE OF THE most satisfactory plants for outdoor growing is the Double Petunia. Late March or early April is a good time to start seeds or cuttings for summer growing. If you have kept a plant over winter, it will be benefited by cutting back, and will give you a number of cuttings. If you haven't one, perhaps some kind neighbor will root one for you. When danger of freezing is over, set out in good, rich soil, the richer the better, in a sunny place, give plenty of water, and see them grow. You will have blossoms from early spring till they freeze. Give them plenty of room. A plant well-cared for is a whole flower-bed in itself. I had one two years ago that was over six feet across, and the blossoms I never tried to count. Last



BLOSSOM OF DOUBLE PETUNIA.

year it was not so nice, all because it hadn't so good a chance. (I wonder if we would be nicer if given a better chance. Are not people very much like plants, after all?)

When rooting the slips in early spring it is well to keep them warm, giving bottom heat, if possible. One spring I put eight slips in a pot of dirt and set them in an east window. They were there two weeks or more. Some of them rotted off, and I cut them off and put them back. Finally they all began to wilt. I thought I couldn't any more than kill them, as they would probably die anyway, so I set them up on the stove shelf, removing when they were getting too warm. Steam from the reservoir furnished the necessary moisture in the air, and in a very short time they were

rooted. It is a mistaken idea that slips need to be kept in the shade while rooting. Except in very hot weather they would root better in full sunshine.

In September or October root cuttings to keep over winter. It is useless to try to keep them for winter-blooming, and a small plant is much more likely to live through the winter, and takes less room. V. L. Wonser.

Eaton Co., Mass., Dec. 28, 1914.

A Conglomeration.—Not from choice but of necessity I saw that if I would save my plants I must clump them together and put a fence around. So I gathered up the fragments that remained after a chicken raid, and they were a bunch of Pinks; red, white, pink and mottled Geraniums; one plant of Portulaca; a Petunia; and some Coleus and a

Baby Rose. These I encircled with an edge of Blue Grass and wire netting. Well, that was an interesting bed of posies. Each plant has its beautiful story, but the one I shall specialize on is the Coleus. I buried the box in the dirt, and it grew and spread and climbed that wire. At times it was beautiful beyond compare; at others so different, always changing with conditions. I suppose you remember Mrs. Wiggs saying they are common worldlings, for under proper environment they are gorgeously beautiful, while under adverse conditions they are a common weed. Such was this one, showing at one time every color, it seemed, and then again it would be a weed. But slips from that Coleus went far and near to the number of a half dozen, and it is now waiting in the cellar for another

Alice.

season.

[Note.—Those who have never tried growing Coleus from seeds should surely try them this season. The seeds start as readily as those of Sweet Alyssum, and a fine mixture will show many very beautiful variegations. A packet of choice mixed Coleus, costing but five cents, will often afford as much pleasure and satisfaction as packets of other seeds costing five times that amount.—Ed.]

Schizanthus.—To those not familiar with Schizanthus, my window would be a revelation. From seed in May I had plants which began in July to send out long sprays of graceful blossoms in various tints and colors. They simply defy description. Combined with Maidenhair Fern they make charming and lasting bouquets. Mrs. B. H. Jones.

Washington Co., Oreg.

ZINNIAS.

TWO YEARS ago we moved to a home-
stead in western Nebraska. I had raised
Zinnias in my childhood, but the poor,
scrawny, huge-centered things that
adorned my garden then didn't make me very
enthusiastic over the two packets of Zinnias
which came in a package among my other
seeds. They were the last to be planted, and
the most neglected. It was a dry year, and
on the rare occasions on which I watered
them, they got only dirty wash water, so
soapy I was afraid to put it on anything else.
When they bloomed I was astonished! I did

before. The seeds of a single pink one gave
me beautiful double ones of various shades of
pink. The only pure yellow one I had to save
seeds from was a miserable, stunted little
thing that I dug up when frost came and kept
in the house till the shock dried up its leaves
and petals. I had scant hope of any plants
from it, but I got two, which bore large, dou-
ble flowers of clear, pure yellow.

This time I saved each color separate, and
intend to plant them in clumps around the
house, with double *Portulaca* as a border.
Some day I hope to add the curled, fringed
and striped varieties to my collection.

Cheyenne Co., Nebr. Mrs. Pearl Kemp.



GROUP OF DOUBLE-FLOWERED ZINNIAS.

not know Zinnias could be so large, so double
and so beautiful. They were as attractive
and handsome as Dahlias, some of them hav-
ing the same delicate texture. I carefully
culled out the poor ones, except a few of such
beautiful color that I could not destroy them
when there were no better ones of the same
color. Otherwise, only the largest and most
double ones were allowed to go to seed or
scatter pollen.

The next year I planted them in good sea-
son, and continued to pull up undesirable ones
as soon as they were discovered. I was sur-
prised to find many new shades among them;
all were larger and more double than the year

Cinerarias.—A few years ago I obtained
a packet of *Cineraria* seeds. I planted them
early in spring, leaving them in the house
until danger of frost was past, then trans-
planted them to the pots I wished them to
grow in and put them in a shady place. They
grew fine, but every little while I found one
eaten off, so I watched and at last caught the
thief, which was a woolly worm. I then
removed to a sunny place, and lost no more.
The next winter they were covered with such
lovely flowers for a long time that they well
repaid me for the care of them. They ought
to be grown by more flower lovers.

Union Co., Ia. Mrs. Ellen B. Dendurent.

ABOUT CYCLAMEN.

I SOWED Cyclamen seeds early in the spring in soil that had been baked and sifted, and then kept the soil moist under glass. It was about a month before they came up. I transplanted them when the bulb was about the size of an ordinary hat pin head. They began to bloom when about a



CYCLAMEN PLANT IN BLOOM.

year old and I have not been without some blossoms ever since—a year ago last spring. I kept one each of three varieties—shades of rose and pink. I want to get a white one. No insect has ever troubled them and the foliage is always as bright as a Begonia leaf. I would not be without them.

Madison Co., N. Y. Mrs. L. G. Sterns.

Crinum Capense.—This is probably the most hardy species of the Crinum or Amaryllis family. The bulbs will bloom well when planted six inches or more deep, and when so planted will endure the winters here without any injury. The flowers are white with a faint pink stripe through the center of the petals, and are produced in May or June. It is exceedingly floriferous, as a single plant will have three or four flower stalks, with a dozen or more flowers to each stalk.

Wayne Co., W. Va. W. C. Mollett.

[Note.—The larger and more rare species, Crinum Powellii, is equally as hardy as C. Capense (often known as C. longiflorum), and is much more showy and beautiful. The foliage is strap-leaved, and the strong flower scape rises to the height of 15 inches, bearing a big cluster of Amaryllis-like flowers at its summit. It may be called a hardy Amaryllis, being almost as handsome as the large-flowered, improved strains of Amaryllis, and requiring no special care. The buds open successively, and thus the flowering period is prolonged. The blooming bulbs weigh two pounds, and should be set eight inches deep.—Ed.]

Treatment of Amaryllis.—My treatment of Amaryllis bulbs is very simple, yet they bloom twice a year for me. I just plunge them outdoors in summer and water them all the time. I repot them once in two years.

Essie K. Pressnall.

Rush Co., Ind., Jan. 21, 1915.

EVENING GLORY.

LAST SPRING, in looking over my flower seeds, I found three that I thought were Evening Glory seeds. I planted them near a small dead Mulberry tree, and all three came up and made nice, thrifty plants. I gave my daughter two of them, and the one I kept was well watered, but I never once dug round it. It covered the tree, and I ran strong strings over to my rock fence, which had some poultry wire stretched on top. The vine kept growing and spreading 20 or 30 feet each way, and in the evenings was a mass of pale lavender-colored flowers, really not Glories at all, but someone told me they were Moon vines. The leaves were large, thick and heart-shaped. It was a very fine and beautiful vine, of which I was very proud, and this coming spring I will cover everything on the place with it, for I have saved over a quart of seeds. All friends who have seen it want them. It seems to have no enemies, and with plenty of water never seems to stop growing till frost.

Mrs. Frank Russell.

Callahan Co., Tex., Nov. 26, 1915.

[Note.—The vine was doubtless Ipomoea Bona Nox, which is easily started from seeds, and is rapid in growth and free in bloom. It is a desirable vine.—Ed.]

Calla Lily.—I wish to tell the floral sisters of my success with just the common Calla. I planted three medium sized bulbs in a one-gallon jar filled with garden soil, sand, soil from an old chip yard, and pulverized manure from the cow yard, well-mixed, and kept them well-watered, giving them liquid manure water once a week. During winter I had six perfect blossoms. Two of the largest blossoms I ever saw came out at the same time during the coldest weather and were sent to sick persons. I shall try them again this winter.

Mrs. Mary St. ckholm.

Susquehanna Co., Pa.

Window Garden Seeds.—In the spring I planted a paper of window garden seeds, and what a variety I have! Coleus, Pinks, Achania, Asparagus, a couple of Begonias, a Violet, a Fuchsia, and a lot of pretty plants I do not know the names of. If anyone wants a variety it is surely a cheap way to get it. I mixed sand and woods soil and sifted it, putting the large seeds in rows and covering them. The fine seeds I put on top of the soil, pressed them in, and covered with glass.

Mrs. J. L. Hall.

Hunterdon Co., N. J., Nov. 6, 1915.

Justicia.—For the person who likes odd plants this is just the one, easy to grow, and stands neglect well. The leaves are beautiful and look as if lined with dark red. The flowers are a beautiful dark pink and last well. They also draw a great deal of attention by their peculiar form. I would recommend it to all flower lovers. Mrs. Percival Gordon.

Pierce Co., Wis.

IMPATIENS SULTANII.

IMPATIENS SULTANII is a very satisfying flower. After keeping mine in the house all winter I put it in the ground during the summer; and as I had so many flowers to care for I gave it no water. Well, during the heat of the summer, which you remember was intense, it seemed to wilt, and looked as though its days were numbered. Then the cool rains came, and that Sultanii responded to the refreshing, cooling showers, for it is a great drinker. It soon developed into such a thing of beauty that I felt ashamed of my neglect. Now, right here is where I want to



sermonize. Do we not so often look afar and long for the rare and beautiful, where, right at our hand, if we only knew it, is a dear friend or a sweet flower that would bring us joy and comfort, if we would cultivate and search out the best that is in them? Well, just so some plants I had petted were a disappointment. My dear Sultanii was a recompense in spite of neglect, for I have it in a window now. It is three yards in circumference, almost fills the window, and is covered with beautiful bloom, mingled with glossy green foliage.

Alice V. Day.

[Note.—Too much praise cannot be given the new South African Impatiens. They are easily grown, of many waxy colors, and free and continuous in blooming. They should be one of half a dozen plants for every house or garden.—Ed.]

Perennial Larkspur.—My Delphiniums (Perennial Larkspur) are certainly fine, the clumps becoming larger and handsomer every year; and such long spikes of lovely blue flowers! The plants are not at all particular as to location and care. I recommend this beautiful hardy perennial to flower lovers.

Mary Lewis.

Mercer Co., O., Oct. 14, 1914.

Carnations.—I sowed a packet of Carnation seeds on Good Friday, and had white, pink, scarlet, dark red and lemon yellow flowers.

Alice McWherter.

Seneca Co., N. Y.

FOUR O'CLOCKS.

THIS SUMMER I made the pleasing discovery that Four O'clocks will grow and bloom beautifully on the north side of the house. They were vigorous, and entirely free from insects. Children are always interested in these flowers. When the seeds were ripe the children enjoyed using them for beads. A strong needle, not too coarse, a stout double thread, and in a few moments a long string of "beads" can be made of the freshly gathered seeds.



Mrs. Askey.

Venango Co., Pa., Jan. 11, 1915.

About Drainage.—I do not approve of the crude method of providing drainage by using pieces of broken pot, pebbles, etc. The potsherds soon fill up with soil, and the drainage occupies valuable space for no purpose whatever. A better method is to use dry lawn grass, hay, straw, or pieces of gunny sack or other open meshed cloth, rolled into a small ball and laid over the drainage hole of the pot.

V. Deviny.

Jefferson Co., Col., Oct. 28, 1914.

Note.—The material suggested would soon rot, and prove an obstruction rather than a source of drainage. If the hay or straw were placed over the potsherds or pebbles, or if a thin layer of sphagnum moss were placed over it, it would prevent the filling up of the interstices, and effect a satisfactory drainage. This means is mostly taken to insure good drainage.—Ed.

Early Cosmos.—For the first time last spring I tried a package of early Cosmos, the white and purple. Early in summer the centers of the stalks commenced blooming, and as the season advanced the whole plant became a shower of blossoms. Increase in size of bloom has not detracted from their daintiness. This plant has a delicate, sweet scent.

Katie M. Roads.

Hillsboro, Ohio, Oct. 3, 1914.

Zinnias.—I have found Zinnias to be among the best annuals for these reasons: They are handsome, easy to raise, long in bloom, good for cutting, free from insects, have neat foliage, grow in ordinary soil, with partial sun, and make a fine display in the garden the entire season.

W. H. Hobbs.

Portland, Me., Oct. 19, 1914.

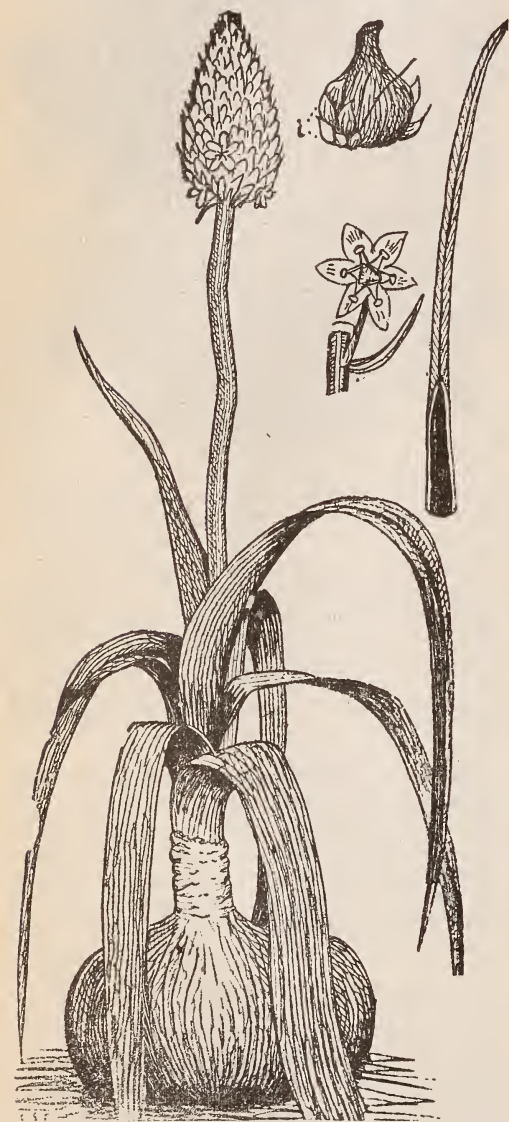
Geranium.—From a package of mixed Geranium seeds a large variety may be grown. After plants are large enough to transplant, treat as other Geraniums.

Williamsburg, Ky.

A. H. McKellup.

A PLEA FOR THE LOWLY SEA ONION.

AMONG [my favorites of many plants I have a rather curious, and to me, very interesting bulbous plant, commonly known by Germans as Meer (sea) Zwiebeln (onion), its botanical name being *Ornithogalum Candatum*. This plant is not only quite ornamental, but exceedingly useful. Among the people of some European countries



it is highly prized for the healing qualities of its long, slender, deep-green leaves. By cutting up the bulb and leaves and frying in tallow or fresh butter, a salve valuable for healing sores, boils, bruises, burns, etc., can be made; or the fresh leaves can be used by merely bruising them to a pulp and applying as a poultice to sores or corns.

The Sea Onion is of easy culture, and given ordinary care, under favorable conditions it can be depended upon to bloom every winter.

The Onion-like bulb, which is of a dainty sea-green color, should be carefully potted, so that the greater part of it is above the surface of well-drained porous soil. It prefers a warm, rather moist atmosphere, and will thrive under such conditions. When the bulb is about to bloom it sends up from the center a very long flower stem which branches toward the top. These little branches soon become dotted with clusters of small, greenish-white, star-like flowers. The individual flowerets, which are like miniature Star of Bethlehem flowers, keep perfect for some time.

By planting the tiny bulblets that are freely produced along the sides of the parent bulb, one can keep up indefinitely the supply of plants for both ornamental and medicinal purposes. Considering the ease with which the plant is grown, its usefulness, and the fact that it seems absolutely free from all insect pests, it is rather strange that the Sea Onion is not more widely known in this country.

B. B. Hammond.

Hartsdale, N. Y., Jan. 16, 1915.

Wild Flowers.—One exhibit at our fair that attracted the attention of many was a collection of wild flowers. We had not known the woods were so rich at this time, here in the late autumn. But someone knew, and thought it worth while to bring them to our attention. And to every bloom in its native beauty there is a different glory, an infinite variety of form and coloring. Our national colors, red, white and blue, are there, and purple and lavender and yellow as well. Life cannot but be richer by every such item added to the catalogue of beauty. And this wealth of the woods is a common treasury from which all who care may draw greater interest and variety in this world of beautiful things.

Mrs. Treadwell.

Sheboygan Co., Wis., Sept. 23, 1914.

Baptisia Australis.—I have great clumps of *Baptisia* raised from seeds four years ago. Everybody who sees it asks what it is. It blooms in June, and the foliage lasts till a hard freeze, and is green and very ornamental. Once well-rooted in a spot it will thrive amazingly. I have mine where the earth bakes hard in summer, and the dirt isn't very good. Behind the *Baptisia* are bushes of the old semi-double white *Roses* that are wreaths of hips in winter. The *Baptisia* shows to best advantage when planted thus.

M. E. Main.

Washington Co., R. I., Oct. 19, 1914.

Roses.—I noticed an article about *Roses* and their care, in one of the Magazines, which is very interesting. We who dearly love *Roses* and who succeed in having them, learn that they require constant looking after. A solution of Paris green in water, with a whisk broom for applying it late at evening, will help to keep the bushes free of worms and most of their enemies. Mrs. Eugene Keife.

Caldwell Co., Mo.

PERENNIAL POPPY.

THE HARDY Perennial Poppy, *Papaver Orientale*, is one of the most showy of the spring-blooming perennials. It has the reputation of being hard to get established, but this is mostly due to neglect or ignorance as to the manner of its cultivation. The seeds, like those of all Poppies, are small, and require some care in sowing, but they germinate exceedingly well, and grow very fast when conditions are suitable. I generally sow the seeds early in the spring in a rich soil of a somewhat clayey nature. The plants always come up well, and begin to grow very fast. But there often comes a spell



of dry weather here in May or June, when the plants will dry out and die if they are not kept moist. The plants will bloom the second season if

they have made a good growth. All Poppies are very difficult to transplant, but I have no very great trouble in transplanting the Perennial Poppy early in the spring, before growth begins. The plants lose their leaves in the summer, and start again into growth in the autumn. Any time when the plants are not growing they can be removed without a great deal of trouble.

W. C. Mollett.

Wayne Co., W. Va., Jan. 26, 1915.

[Note.—The young plants of Perennial Poppy invariably lose their leaves when transplanted, but in the course of three or four weeks they will develop new leaves, and begin to grow. You should not, therefore, feel discouraged and neglect them after transplanting, simply because they have lost their foliage. The fleshy roots retain their vitality, and in due time will push up new leaves and the plants will make a vigorous growth.—Ed.]

Early-Flowering Cosmos.—A friend from the state of Washington sent me a packet of early-flowering Cosmos and on account of my going out to nurse the sick, I could not get the seeds planted until the middle of June. But from the last of August until hard frosts the last part of October they were just loaded with pink blossoms. They were just sowed in good soil on the west side of an old building, and given plenty of water. I felt well repaid for my care of them and was surprised, as I had only known the late flowering sorts before. Mrs. Mary Stockholm.

Susquehanna Co., Pa.

Grevillea robusta.—This plant, known as Australian Silk Oak, is a beautiful one for the common home. It does not require extra care and is equal to a Fern for decoration. The new leaves have a lovely silky look. I do not know of another plant so well suited for the busy housekeeper's need, and I always keep one in my collection.

Pierce Co., Wis.

Mrs. P. Gordon.

PORTULACA.

DOUBLE *Portulaca* is the busy woman's flower. Once started it cares for itself, sowing a plentiful supply of seeds for the next year; and while its thrift is weed-like it is so beautiful it could never be classed as one. I sowed quite a quantity of seeds on the cave last spring, hoping to hide its nakedness, but before they had sprouted a wind-storm came and stripped the cave of loose dirt and seeds, scattering them over the garden, where they came up. I transplanted



them to flower beds and the cave, where each plant covered spaces from six to eighteen inches in diameter, according to the soil and moisture. I counted ninety-eight blooms on one plant one day.

They don't mind a few frosts, and I still had a few blooms in a window-box the middle of November. Try a packet and have make-believe Roses all summer long.

Cheyenne Co., Nebr. Mrs. Pearl Kemp.

Cannas from Seed.—Last spring I bought a packet of Canna seeds, and planted them in a box one foot deep, planting each seed one inch deep and about six inches apart. I left the box on a south porch. By the last of October the Cannas were four feet high and full of blossoms, there being seven different colors. I leave the box on the back porch until the plants freeze and then remove the bulbs to the cellar, which is dry and cool in winter and where they will not get frosted. If placed in a cellar beware of mice and rats, as they like all kinds of bulbs.

Berrien Co., Mich.

Mrs. Arthur Reed.

Godetia.—I wonder more people do not raise this beautiful flower, often known as the Satin Flower, with its many varied shades of color. I have never seen any but the ones I raised myself. They begin to bloom when quite small and continue a long time.

Clinton Co., Mich.

Mrs. S. Ferris.

ANNUAL HOLLYHOCKS.

FERN GLOBES.

I SOWED Annual Hollyhock seeds in the garden rather late one spring, and when the frost nipped them just as the color was peeping from the buds, I thought that was the last I should see of them, as they were called annuals on the packet. But when the garden was plowed the next spring I found the roots alive, and transplanted them to the



flower-bed, where they began blooming early and kept it up a long time.

I had often tried to raise Perennial Hollyhocks from seeds and failed entirely. I suppose the seeds were too old. I sowed seed fresh from the pods of these annuals, and they came up by the hundreds. I suppose I'll have enough to hedge the place this spring.

Cheyenne Co., Nebr. Mrs. Pearl Kemp.

Aquilegia.—In the summer of 1913 I planted the long-spurred Columbine in a bed north of the house. By fall the little seedlings were well established. Last spring the plants grew wonderfully and became a riot of beauty and sweetness. I had all tints and colors—alone or in combination—yellow, pink, blue, white, purple, red; and all of such airy grace. Many who saw them had never known such charming things existed. I had quantities of flowers to give away, and also had the company of humming-birds for many weeks. If I have a favorite flower, it is the long-spurred Aquilegia.

Mrs. B. H. Jones.

Washington Co., Oreg.

IN BOSTON and towns about, the Fern globes are very popular for winter Ferns. In the pleasant fall days ladies go and gather the fine pretty green things that grow in the woods; then gold-fish globes are bought for ten to fifty cents, and into these globes are put the pretty Mosses (that which looks like little Fern trees is prettiest). Among the Mosses are Partridge-berry vines with plenty of red berries next to the glass; in the center are the lovely Grape Ferns, bronze and green; then green and white leaved Adder Tongue; striped and plain Wintergreen, and other little beauties that stay green all winter. Water well, put on the glass cover, and the berries and plants will grow and be a joy all the cold season. Once in a while give it water and keep in a cool place. Many a Fern globe is found on the dining table, and is noticed and enjoyed by the family and by guests. One city lady fills her large gold fish tank with these things, and adds Lady Slippers, Arbutus, Bloodroot, and Jack-in-the-pulpit; and these bloom for her in midwinter.

Eliza Bradish.

Worcester Co., Mass., Jan. 21, 1915.

[Note.—Perhaps nothing from the woods is more successfully grown or appreciated than the Trailing Arbutus. You will find the little clusters of buds hiding away under the leaves in late autumn, and the plants taken up then and planted in a Fern case will soon begin to grow and develop their exquisite, waxy-pink, fragrant flowers. Grown in this way they are sure to bloom, and no house flowers are more admired for their beauty and fragrance.—Ed.]

Calceolaria.—In early May I sow seeds of *Calceolaria hybrida* on sifted woods soil, and cover with glass. They are prompt to germinate. I then raise the glass an inch, and keep them moist and at a north window, which I leave open most of the time. When big enough I transplant with match or toothpick to woods soil mixed with a third of sand. Just before winter I reset again. They grow splendidly for me. I put them in an east window in winter. They usually bloom in April and May. Sometimes a few will bloom in March. They last for weeks.

M. E. Main.

Washington Co., R. I., Nov. 10, 1914.



Calceolaria.—I have one *Calceolaria* raised from the seed. The little seedlings are very delicate, and one must look out for aphids. Mine bloomed when a year old, and was a gorgeous sight. There were fully 20 blooms at one time, some two inches across, spotted red and yellow. After it was done blooming in June I cut it back, and now (Nov. 5th) it is full of buds again. The soil is light, rich loam. It likes a cool place.

Mrs. Emma Garribaldi.

Mendocino Co., Calif., Nov. 7, 1914.

SANSEVIERA ZEYLANICA.**SOME OREGON SHRUBS.**

I HAVE just had a plant in bloom that was a curiosity to all around me, far and near. It is *Sansevieria Zeylanica*. It has 28 leaves, the tallest of which is four feet, four inches. One flower stalk appeared 28 inches in height, and had 189 perfect blossoms in just one week. The buds were 1 1/2 inches long from the stalk, and the flowers were of a Yucca-white color. They opened at once with a snap, from five to thirty flowers a day, late in the afternoon, and were very fragrant. The buds were like a Lily bud, and in a few minutes all the petals would be rolled back under, or recurved, like a full-blown Lily, only to roll up and close in the morning. I had it photographed, so all could see it who could not get here. Is it not a curiosity? It is the only plant that has really forgiven and understood my severe neglect this winter.

Mrs. S. R.

Doolittle.

Connecticut.

[Note.—The *Sansevieria* is so rarely in bloom that it really is a curiosity. The accompanying sketch was taken from one blooming in my greenhouses some months ago.—Ed.]



SANSEVIERA PLANT IN BLOOM.

Hoya or Waxplant.—This is a plant which combines beauty of leaf as well as flowers, and is a good plant for the person who has not much time to give to flowers. The blooms are very fragrant and the drops of honey which form in the center are a great curiosity. They could not be told from the purest honey, and certainly add very much to the attractiveness of the plant. It is very easy to grow, but would not bloom for me until I fastened it to a straight support. It does not like growing twined about a trellis.

Pierce Co., Wis.

Mrs. P. Gordon.

AMONG THE most beautiful species of wild shrubs found here is the Wild Currant. The blossoms, which grow in clusters of ten or more, are a vivid red with a white throat. The shrub grows about six feet high, blooming in May and June. When in full bloom it is one of the most beautiful shrubs that grows, almost equal in beauty to *Rhododendron*. One bush will have thousands

of bell-shaped blossoms, perfuming the air for many yards around. They are found on the shady side of the hills, and in some cool, shady glen.

Another very beautiful shrub found here is the Wild Orange, which grows to a height of eight or ten feet. The bloom is a pure ivory white, with a yellow center. This shrub blooms in July and August. The most fragrant shrub we have is the Mountain Balm. When passing along the roads one can scent this shrub for a quarter of a mile. The leaves are hard and stiff. Just gather some and make you a pillow and sleep on it, and just see how

hungry you will get.
Oakland, Oreg.

Mrs. June Mabie.

About Cosmos.—Three years ago a friend gave me some *Cosmos* seeds. I planted them in the vegetable garden, and such a lot of blossoms I never saw. The plants measured one and a half inches in diameter, and were from three to seven feet high, and all colors from pure white to dark red. I never saved any seed and this year the men plowed the garden and seeded it, but the *Cosmos* came up thick and are now a mass of bloom.

Mrs. Arthur Reed.

Berrien Co., Mich., Sept. 5, 1914.



DISCONTENT.

When the long cold winter is here,
It seems to us so sad and drear,
With all of its ice and frozen snows,
While the chilling wind so fiercely blows;
We wish it gone, for it seems so long,
And we're tired of its loud, whistling song.

And when the fair, warm summer is here,
With all of its many beauties dear,
And perfume of the frail, sweet flow'rs
Is waited through the golden hours,
We often wish a winter's day
Might come a-straying 'cross our way.

But the fair and perfect days of June,
We know would be sadly out of tune,
If they while straying, should a-light
'Midst winter, in its stormy flight.
And though some days we find most trying,
Greet none of them with mournful sighing.

For looking in Life's teeming measure,
There's many a day we can treasure;
And they far excel the gloomy ones,
If we but notice the cheering ones;
Then let us welcome those of gladness,
Forgetting those of pain and sadness.
Cmberland Co., Pa. Ola Osmond

"POUR PRENDRE CONGE."

Earth, old earth, for many a year,
Thou to me hast been most dear;
I have knelt, as lovers do,
To thy Hyacinth buds of blue.
I have loved thy Linden tree,
Rife with sweetness for the bee;
Smiled to see the clustered plumes
Of thy silvery Lilac blooms.

Much, oh earth! I owe to thee
For thy song-birds' minstrelsy,
For the Cat-bird's errant strain,
And the Meadow Lark's refrain.
For the Oriole's whistle gay,
For the Robin's vesper lay,
Thanks, oh earth! I scarce have words,
Fit to bless thee for the birds.

Ofttimes has my wandering eye
Sought thy sister-worlds on high,
Caught Arcturus' jewel-ray,
Dwelt upon the Milky Way.
Flower and star, and bird and tree,
All have ministered to me;
Helped me face the daily round,
Oft in narrow limits bound.

Whirling in thine orbit wide,
Here, oh earth! dost thou abide;
Ever thou abid'st, but I
Soon must yield my tenancy.
I must say God-speed to thee,
Bid farewell to flower and tree,
And, my dust left in thy care,
On the last long journey fare.
Mason, Mich. Ida M. B. Kerns.

THE HARVEST.

After its own kind groweth
Each seed; this axiom keep:
Therefore as a man soweth,
So shall he reap.
Ibbyville, Ind. Alonzo L. Rice.

ANTICIPATING SPRING.

Sing a song of silvery spring,
Just at winter's going,
Golden forces entering
And a little snowing;
Ere a sprout has ventured out
On the southern stretches,
And the rill by yonder hill,
Its changing picture etches.

Sing a song of Willow row
Decked with catkin furry,
While the drift is still below,
Where swelling streamlets hurry
When the skies hint Paradise,
Of coming rapture vernal,
And in the heart, man feels a part
Of that which is Eternal!

Sing a song of Marigolds
Bright as burnished metal,
Treasure, that some fairy folds
In each shining petal,
In the marsh, when winds are harsh
And fitful rains are sweeping,
They bloom apace, with golden face
While Violets are sleeping.

Sing a song of Mayflowers
In the month of sweetness,
Blooming ere the gay flowers
Mark the years completeness,
With joy we seek, in woodland bleak
Their half-celestial cluster,
That might endow fair Flora's brow
A wreath of matchless lustre.

Sing a song of Blue bird,
Herald of the play-time,
When the world, a new stirred
Revels in the May-time;
Then let us out, to roam about
The world's wide fairy palace,
For mead and Elm, is wonder-realm
Full strange as that of Alice.

Sing a song of Buttercup,
Waving grass, and Daisy,
Gorgeous wings that flutter up,
Leisurely and lazy,
Magic dye of butterfly,
Song of bee and cricket,
The sweet idyll, of birds that trill
And nest in every thicket.

Sing a song of th' human heart
Waiting for the healing,
That will banish gloom and smart,
When the spring comes stealing,
Rich with balm and morning calm
O'er the sunless places,
Till rapture-thrilled, the world is filled
With joy, and flowery faces!
Gloversville, N. Y. Wm. P. Alexander.

COME TO THE WOODS.

Oh come to the woods in the spring time,
There are greetings on every hand;
There's joy in the grand awakening,
That is throbbing through all the land.

The beautiful Trailing Arbutus
Peeps forth from its leaves today,
While the brave little blue Anemones
Seem to nod to all passing that way.

The moss looks so green and refreshing,
The brooklet is babbling with glee;
Oh come to the woods in the spring time,
Where the birds sing for you and for me.
Austin, Ill. Mrs. Emma P. Ford.

THAT LITTLE HOME SWEET HOME ACROSS THE SEA.

[Note.—The following beautiful verses for a song and chorus were composed by Mr. A. E. Slocum, Ilion, N. Y., who requests that some reader of the Magazine set them to appropriate music with a view of having the song published. Send your music direct to Mr. Slocum.—Ed.]

Oft I sit alone at twilight, dreaming of the dear old home,

Where in childhood's happy days I used to dwell;
Then I see the fields and woodlands, where I oft-
times used to roam

By a brook that chimed sweet music in the dell.
I can see the rustic arbor, where the Honeysuckles
grow,

With the Roses twining 'round the old home door;
And I hear the same sweet voices, as I heard them
long ago,

In the dear old days now gone forevermore.

Chorus.

Just a quaint old-fashioned cottage far across the
sea;

Just the scenes of long ago so dear to me,
Tho' far away I roam, thoughts turn back to child-
hood's home,
That little home, sweet home across the sea.

Many years have flown forever, since I crossed its
humble sill;

Fleeting time has changed my hair to silv'ry gray;
Yet the scenes of happy childhood, seem as fresh to
mem'ry still,

As the day I left the old place far away.
Oft in dreams a ray of sunlight, breaks along my
native shore, [know;

Brings a glimpse of some sweet face I used to
And I fancy Mother waiting, there to greet me at
the door,

With the same sweet smile and kiss of long ago.

Chorus.

Ilion, N. Y.

A. E. Slocum.

LEGEND OF THE PEARL.

Beside a little mountain stream,
A pale blue Violet grew;
A rock of ancient sear and seam,
Half hid her form from view,

A zephyr freighted with the Rose,
Came far to woo the flower:
A maiden from the lowland chose
It for her own green bower.

A gaudy Trillium, rustling, cried:
"Choose not that pale blue face;
I'm forest queen, the woodland pride,
Fair regent of the place."

The Violet bowed her hooded head,
So modest did she seem;
And silently her tears were shed,
Above the mountain stream.

A nymph arose from the waters cool,
And thus she murmured low;
"Grieve not, fair flower; within the pool,
Each tear a pearl will grow."

Now, when you find within a shell,
A pearl of violet hue,
Then to another you can tell,
The tale I've told to you.

Washington Co., Vt. S. Minerva Boyce.

FAILURE.

The failure of today that mars my life,
Shall better arm me for tomorrow's strife;
And from the scanty seeds that fill my hand,
Shall sheaves abound to grace the harvest-land.
Shelbyville, Ind. Alonzo L. Rice.

NARCISSUS.

From the depths of the limpid pool,
Rose a picture wondrous fair,
As over its mossy brim
Gazed a youth of beauty rare

No feature of beauteous maid
Could win the love of the swain;
But he looked on the phantom face,
And wistfully yearned in vain

And, yearning, his heart grew sad—
This self-concentered elf—
Enamored by vision so fair,
He died for love of himself.



NARCISSUS FLOWER.

But the gods by sympathy moved,
As they thought of his sorrowful doom,
Caused to grow on the spot where he died,
A plant of most beauteous bloom.

And still, by the brink of the pool,
In its mantle of emerald and white,
It bows o'er the waters so clear,
And views its dear face with delight.

Jackson Co., Mo.

L. E. Knowles.

PASSING CLOUDS.

In a bright and beautiful sky
Did a little speck appear;
'Twas small at first, but grew immense,
And with it grew our fear.
Dark and heavy the clouds banked up,
And filled the western sky;
The thunder roared, the lightning flashed,
And clouds of dust rolled by.
We hurried for a sheltering place,
Which we were quick in finding,
But very soon the clouds gave way,
And lo! the sun was shining.
Thus we will find all through this life,
The troubles which give us pain;
But like the cloud, they disappear,
And all is right again.

St. Louis, Mo.

Albert E. Vassar

THE COMING OF SPRING.

It's coming, it's coming, the beautiful spring,
The warm southern breezes are now on the wing,
And calling the flowers asleep in their beds,
To awake from slumber and rear their bright heads.

It's coming, it's coming, the beautiful spring,
The song of wild birds make the clear welkin ring,
The soft falling raindrops be-spatter the pane,
And green grass is starting on upland and plain.

It's coming, it's coming, the beautiful spring,
Words cannot express half the joy it doth bring,
Ring! ye joy-bells of earth, a glad refrain ring,
And welcome, thrice welcome the beautiful spring.
Randolph, Vt. Mrs. A. J. Foster.

A VACATION VISIT.

I went on a visit to childhood scenes,
To the playhouse beneath a Pine,
Where I used to gather the purple fruit
That hung from the creeping vine;
The vine that, twining around the limbs,
Climbed up to the top of the tree,
Then bending over reached down its arms
To form a swing for me.

The Myrtle that grew in the swampy spot
Had scattered its flowers of gold,
But the beautiful Gentian, fringed and blue,
Greeted me there as of old;
And 'mongst the Flags and Cattail leaves
Was a little round ball like snow,
The pretty wild Cotton we used to pick
And toss in the air to blow.

Up under the old tumbledown stone wall
Where poison Ivies twine,
Were feathery blooms of Clematis white,
On the sprays of dark green vine.
And the Ferns—such wonderful lace-like leaves,
Such tints of an emerald hue,— [Brake,
Sword Fern and Maidenhair, Rock Fern and
The prettiest Ferns that grew.



"THE PRETTIEST FERNS THAT GREW."

I found them here as in days gone by,
And gathered with careful hands,
A few of each and put them away
In my book, 'neath the rubber bands,
And carried them off to my distant home,
To be laid away with care.
They are far, far dearer, these childhood friends,
Than the Roses and Lilies there.

Washington Co., R. I. Emerson Main.

VIOLETS IN SPRINGTIME.

When the Violets bloom in springtime,
In the woodlands everywhere,
And the birds come hastening northward,
All the world seems bright and fair.

But the Violets now are sleeping,
In the woods and by the stream,
Heeding not the storms a-raging,
While of them I fondly dream.

But when the Bluebirds bring us tidings,
That the winter storms are o'er,
Then the Violets will be blooming
All along the grassy shore.

When the Violets bloom in springtime,
Brighter than the azure sky,
Tender memories they awaken,
Of sweet, happy days gone by.

Stewartsville, Va. Mrs. Rosie Quarles.

HIDDEN BEAUTY.

Oh, you beautiful things!
Yet they are brown and dull,
Dull and dead these bulbs of mine:
Yea, but I know full well,
With rightful care and sunshine bright,
They'll burst from their dreary shell,
And bloom in beauty and fragrance rare,
Freed from their prison cell.
They are beautiful things.

This life of ours on earth—
So oft it seems brown and dull,
Dull and brown as these bulbs of mine;
And yet, I know full well,
That rightful thoughts and courage bright,
And a faith that is true alway,
Will bring this treadmill life of ours
To a broad and beautiful day:
A day that will never know an end,
No sorrow, or pain, or fear;
Take heart, and learn from the bulbs, my friend,
That the Master holds most dear
This life of ours on earth!
Danbury, Conn. Vera W. Payne-Rockwell.

PITY THEM ALL.

Oh! the strong young lives
That march to the front,
We pity them all,
The brave young hearts,
Who must bear the brunt
Of the battle call.

The man who now turns
From a peaceful life,
For the duty call
In the land of his birth,
Leaving children and wife,
Oh! Pity them all.

The moans of the wives
And the mothers, we hear,
And weep with them all;
For the loved ones gone,
And the terrors they fear—
God pity them all.

S. D. Gardner.
McLennan Co., Texas.

FAIR BEULAH LAND.

I am waiting, oh, I'm waiting,
In fair Beulah's border land,
And I almost catch the music
Of that bright celestial band.

I am list'ning, oh, I'm list'ning
For my Saviour's gentle voice;
When He comes to call me to Him,
With the ransomed to rejoice.

Hark! I hear them coming nearer,
Earth-born visions fade away,
While the soul on new-found pinions,
Wings its flight to endless day.

Randolph, Vt. Mrs. A. J. Foster.

LOVE'S TRANSFIGURATION.

Within my loved one's cheeks I find
Two Roses of purest white;
They are just suited to my mind,
And are my heart's delight.

My hopes still suffer an eclipse,
For I can always find instead,
When I would press them to my lips,
Two of the deepest red!
Shelbyville, Ind. Alonzo Rice.

BELLE ISLE.

[Note.—Mr. Park: In the November number of your Magazine were some verses on Belle Isle, written by Mr. Perrine. May I, too, bring a tribute to one of the most beautiful spots to be found? It is the Island Park for Detroit, and is quite accessible to the people, as it is reached from the mainland by a free bridge; also ferries ply to and fro on which you may ride all the day long for ten cents. There is no "keep off the grass," but with your friends you may go and picnic and enjoy the flowers and other diversions in which the park abounds. It is my old home place, and however much I admire my southern California home, I cannot, if I would, forget the old, old home.—H. M. W.]

I'm wandering in thought by the river,
Surrounding the beautiful Isle;
The playground, the bountiful giver
Of health, the idle hours to beguile.

The slow winding streamlet is spreading
A ribbon of silver and blue,
While Cupid, in armor, is guiding
The prow of the fairy canoe.

The birds in the branches are singing,
The bees hum an alto encore;
All nature with music is ringing,
To the echo of waves on the shore.

The "park for the people" is calling:
"Come play! Oh, 'City of the Straits!'"
Where the gentle breezes are blowing,
And every charmed pleasure awaits.

Then hail to Belle Isle 'mid the river!
I long in its grandeur to rest;
To thank the Omnipotent Giver,
For Belle Isle, the isle of the blest.
Los Angeles Co., Cal. Helen M. Whiting.

ONE YEAR.

We wandered down the hillside path,
In fragrant, flowery spring;
We felt the south wind's balmy breath,
And heard the Bluebird sing;
We gathered purple Violets,
And the sweeter Pinks of May;
And you whispered, "Dearest dear one,
I will always with you stay."

We wandered down the hillside path,
The summer sun was high;
The west wind drove the silver clouds
Across the azure sky;
Your arm was 'round me lovingly,
And tender was your smile,
As you said, "My dearest dear one,
I must leave you for awhile."

I wandered down the hillside path,
'Mid Sumacs, all ablaze;
The distant mountains quivered
Through the autumn's purple haze;
I felt the north wind's early chill,
I saw the Maples burn,
And I cried, "Ah! Dearest dear one,
I am waiting your return."

The hearth is bright before me,
But I feel the winter's chill;
The east wind heaps the snow
Along the pathway down the hill;
The storm beats on my window,
And the tempest shakes my door,
But, my dearest one, my dear one,
I shall see you nevermore."

Rockingham Co., N. H. F. L. Sinclair.

ROSES, BEAUTIFUL LIVES.

Lives are flowers; Roses, some,
Whose bloom and perfume
Of a few brief hours win the hum
Of bees. Roses are best:
'Tis they bless most, and most are blest.
Bridgeport, Neb. M. L. Phares.

A BIRTHDAY POEM.

(Written by sister Hannah in her 81st year, for sister Eunice's 83rd birthday.)

I have turned the leaves of memory's book

Through years that have swiftly flown,

Till in visions I see the dear old home

Where in childhood we used to roam.

Dear parents, come back from the shadowy vale,

While brothers and sisters are there,

Where together we roamed the orchard and field

With hardly a thought of care.

Years swiftly pass, and sickness came,

'Mid the city's noise and strife,

But your loving hand bathed my burning brow,

'Twas you wooed me back to life.

And then one evening in the early spring,

You again stood by my side,

And heard me breathe the marriage vow—

A trusting, happy bride.

Still later on your presence gave

Courage, I know not how,

When the crown of wife and motherhood

Was placed upon my brow.

Then came sad hours of parting—

Your home midst fruit and flowers,

While near the green hills of Vermont,

We linger still in ours.

Oh, sister, my darling sister!

When the sands of life run low,

When dear ones gather 'round you,

So loth to let you go,

May the Saviour gently bear you

Safely to the yonder shore,

Where the loved ones wait to greet you,

There, we'll meet to part no more.

Montpelier, Vt.

Mrs. A. J. Foster.

THE FLOWER'S MISSION.

Our Father made us beautiful,
And breathed on us his love,
And gave us of the spirit
That prevails in heaven above.

We stand here meekly blooming
For the stranger passing by;
And if unnoticed we are left,
We never stop to sigh,

But shed our fragrance all abroad,
And smile in 'shine or rain,
And when we do the will of God,
We do not live in vain.

St. Helena, Calif.

Ida Reese Kurz.

BY THE RIVER.

Oh, the Alders by the river,
Bend and nod with every breeze;
Can you dance a minuet
Half so gracefully as these?
And the Goldenrod and Willows,
Just across the water lane,
Bend and bow and nod and straighten
With each turning of the vane;
And each flower, howe'er humble,
Gives a nod of friendly cheer;
Why, they almost speak in greeting;
If you listen you may hear.

Ben Lomond, Cal.

Etta Kent.

UNHEARD, UNSEEN.

Unheard, the clock throughout the night
Repeats the hours;
In unseen lands, from mortal sight
Unfold fair flowers.

Singing, Thy gracious gifts bestowed
The years between,
I go; keeping so true the narrow road,
Unheard, unseen.

Shelbyville, Ind.

Alonzo Rice.

FLORAL NOTES.

Geraniums.—Hurrah for my Geraniums! In six months from seed most of them show big buds; a few are bursting into pretty flowers. The plants set in a sunny bed are ahead of those in the window, but all show signs of blossoming. I planted the seeds in a window box in April. Every seed came up.

Mrs. B. H. Jones.

Washington Co., Oreg.

Hollyhocks.—Hollyhocks are easily raised from seeds, and the annual varieties will bloom the first season. I have had good success with them. The packet sown last spring gave me all colors, the flowers double and single, and all beautiful. I advise my friends to try these new annual Hollyhocks. If not exhausted the first year, the plants will bloom the second year.

Mrs. Kate Kendegraff.

Clark Co., Ind., Nov. 10, 1914.

Sweet Peas.—Last spring my Sweet Peas were planted early and deep, in good, rich soil. One row I planted beside the well, and the waste water was thrown on them. Now, November 6th, I have some blossoms, while the others I planted are all dead. A Sweet Pea fancier, who said he raised choice Sweet Peas (and gave them every care), never saw any as nice as mine. Some stems had from four to six blossoms on them. I planted mixed varieties.

Mrs. J. L. Hall.

Glen Gardner, N. J., Nov. 6, 1914.

Oenothera.—From a mixed packet of seeds bought in the spring I had a number of plants of *Oenothera*, and was surprised one evening to see a blossom unfold. I called some little girls to watch them, and told them not many people could say they had ever seen a flower-bud open out into a flower. The flowers were a lovely yellow, large and beautiful, and the plants bloomed for several weeks.

College, Kans.

M. Gertrude Larson.

About Geraniums.—Geraniums are more popular to-day than ever before. And it isn't to be wondered at when one considers the magnificent varieties which are now in the market. Every color, shade and variegation to be had, from the most dazzling to the most delicate tints. While some prefer to obtain plants of blooming size, I wish to call your attention to the fact that they start readily from seeds. If started early in spring they will bloom by fall. You might obtain some charming new varieties from seeds. The Ivy-leaved, Sweet-scented and Pansy Geraniums all deserve a trial if you have room to grow them.

Orleans Co., Vt.

Rose Abnett.

Star Petunia.—Last spring I planted Howard's Star Petunias in a narrow bed along the road fence, and passers-by remarked about their beauty, many begging for some of the seeds. They began blooming when quite small, and are still covered with blossoms.

Mercer Co., Ohio.

Mary Lewis.

Physalis Franchetti.—I have the Chinese Lantern plant and the lanterns hang on all winter, looking like scarlet flowers in the white snow. They can be eaten if you like, when nicely ripened and washed. There seems to be a bitter taste until well washed. Its shape is like a huge ground cherry.

Milford, Iowa.

Mrs. Kate Martinson.

Cannas From Seeds.—An elegant foliage and blooming plant that can be grown successfully from seeds is the *Gladiolus*-flowered *Canna*. The plants are easy to raise, about two-thirds of the seeds germinating, and I never lose a plant after the little sprouts appear. The plants are about three feet tall, bear large flowers, and make a fine display out-doors in rich, well-watered soil. The colors range through shades of red and yellow, and are very attractive. If the seedlings are started early they will bloom the first season throughout the autumn.

Mrs. M. Wilmoth.

Warren Co., Ohio, Oct. 20, 1914.

Sweet Peas.—Last spring I planted two packets of Sweet Peas the middle of March, and the first of June they commenced blooming. We had an awful dry summer, but in spite of drouth they bloomed the whole summer long. I had all colors—pink, white, red, blue, lavender and striped, and they were good, big flowers, too. They kept blooming till a month ago, when I quit picking the blooms, and let them seed, and they are hanging full of seed pods and flowers today, the 15th of October. I always thought Sweet Peas were hard to raise, but I think different now.

Haley, Tenn.

S. Ruth Christian.

Pyrethrum.—Years ago I first raised *Pyrethrums* from seeds. I planted in spring, and they bloomed in the fall, then I transplanted to a permanent bed. I put them in the driest place in the garden after I saw the great supply of roots they were favored with, and year after year they have bloomed profusely in June. I have shades from white to garnet. Every spring I could sell all the flowers the bed produces, if I chose. In June the garden has countless visitors, and the *Pyrethrum* bed is to them one of the most attractive spots. The foliage keeps well.

Westerly, R. I.

M. E. Main.





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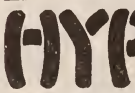


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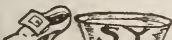
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From California.—Dear Floral Friends: I am a great lover of flowers, both the garden and the wild varieties. I cannot find words that will show my appreciation for Park's Floral Magazine. Flowers here grow luxuriantly all the year round. There is not one month in the year in which some sort of flower is not in bloom. The wild flowers are especially my favorites, and I am making a study of the varieties peculiar to the Pacific slope. I would like to correspond with parties in whose locality some variety of the Mariposa Lily grows. These Lilies are found all through the West, and as far east as Nebraska. I will willingly exchange bulbs of the varieties found locally for others. A. J. Soares,

Hayward, R. 1, Box 19, Calif.

From South Carolina.—Dear Mr. Park: I picked up your big little Magazine this morning, and as I was reading the letters from the flower-lovers, I just thought how grand it would be if all could take a stroll with me some summer, and see the thousands of different beautiful wild flowers as they grow here on the mountains. About a mile from here is a falls. A small stream comes leaping down through the mountains, and goes about half a mile between two mountains, and here is where the grand sight is. The flowers grow on the sides of the stream and on the mountain sides in countless numbers. I could get a one-horse load in a few hours, of almost any color imaginable, and the good part is they can be taken up after they bloom and set in the flower yard or garden, and will just grow right on. Well, spring is here, and the birds are singing, and the flower buds swelling.

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From Washington.—Mr. Park: I have taken your Magazine for years and would rather have it than any other flower paper I know of. A short time ago I read a letter in which the statement was made that the Japanese Lily Auratum would bloom only once or twice, after which the bulbs would disappear. So I am going to tell you of my experience with this flower. I got a large bulb four years ago this spring. The first summer it had 10 beautiful flowers, and the second year 12. The following spring it failed to come up, so I dug up the bulb and found it the largest I ever saw, fully twice the size it was when I got it, but without a sign of a sprout. I put it back in the ground, and for a year it showed no sign of life. When I again dug it up and found, instead of the one large bulb, six medium-sized ones. All of these bloomed last year. Last spring there were 14 flower stalks from the six bulbs. I wish to exchange wild flowers of Washington for those of other States. Write. Edith M. Waters.

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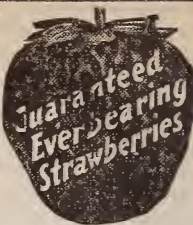
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Newtonia, Mo., Feb. 12, 1915. Mona B. Gald.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little farm girl 11 years old. We have three horses named Sisie, Prince and Frank. For a pet I have a pony named Rhody, a dog named Beauty and a bantam rooster. My grandma takes your Magazine and likes it very much. She has a Leopard Plant that is doing fine.

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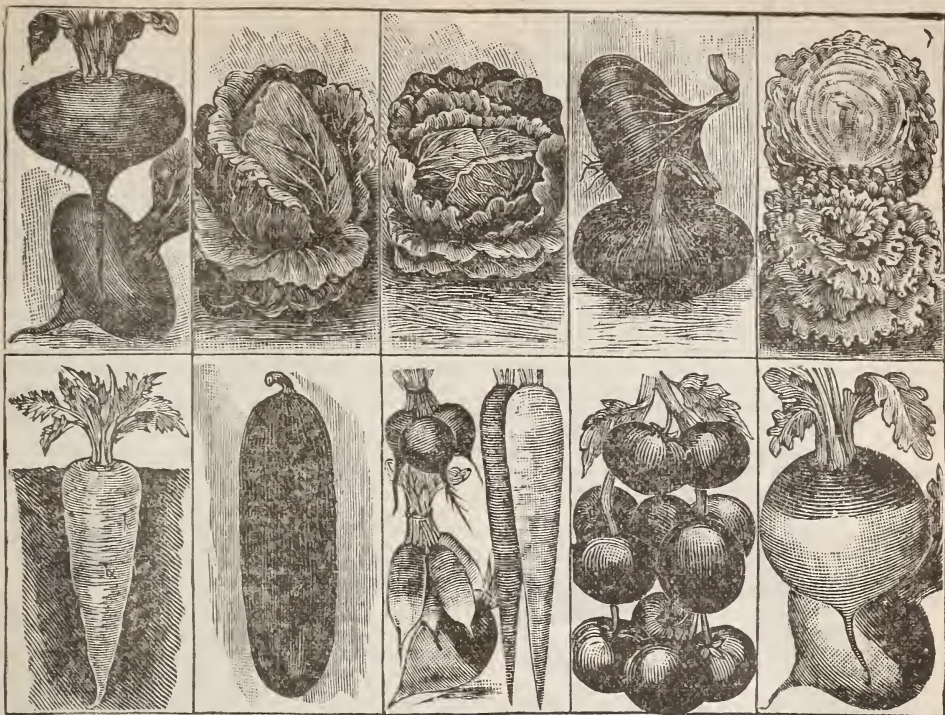
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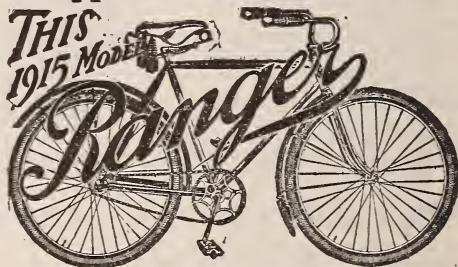
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take to _____ him.
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Kathlen Belk.

Chestnutridge, Mo., Feb. 20, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a city girl, 11 years old, and go to school every day. I am in the sixth grade. I like the Children's Corner and poems the best. I love flowers and birds, and my favorite flower is Marechal Niel Rose.

Ina Eastlack.

Hot Springs, Ark., Feb. 11, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a girl of 12 years, and live on a farm of 200 acres. We have a good many flowers, mostly those that grow in the garden. We have five pigs, one of which is a pet, called Bertha. There are lots of little birds here—Red-birds, Bluebirds, and many others, also squirrels and rabbits.

Pearl Freeman.

Hanna, Mo., Feb. 12, 1915.

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Jessie L. Leete.

East Brookfield, Mass., Feb. 23, 1915.

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Nellie B. Moore.

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Feb. 19, 1915.

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Reta Kuykendall.

Cookesville, Tenn., Feb. 14, 1915.

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Nettie Byron.

Johnsonville, Tenn., Feb. 13, 1915.

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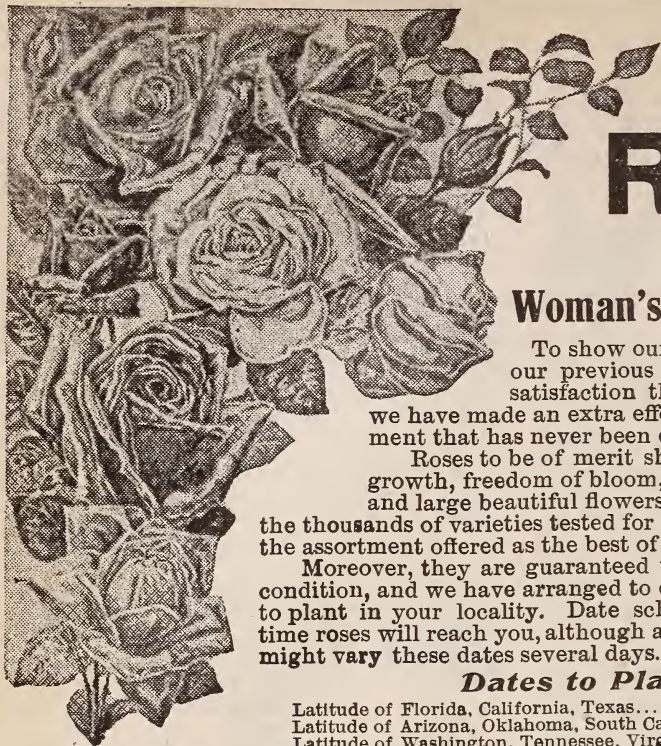
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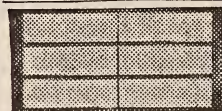
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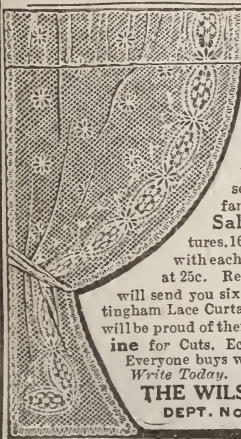
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Cookesville, Tenn., Feb. 14, 1915.

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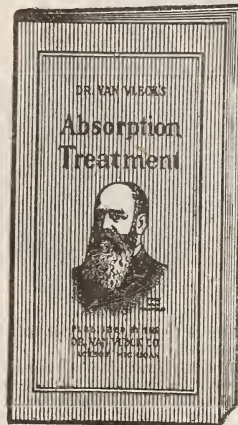
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From Kentucky.—Mr. Park: I have been a subscriber to your Magazine for more than 20 years. Flowers are necessities with me, and I shall always appreciate the Magazine. Why don't the flower lovers write more in the Magazine about Chrysanthemums? They and Portulaca are favorites of mine. I sowed a packet of mixed seeds last year, and the plants raised were wonderful. There were too many kinds to mention. I had a lot of pleasure from the crazy bed, and the cost was inconsiderable. **Mrs. G. E. M. Marion Co., Ky., Feb. 9, 1915.**

From Oregon.—Mr. Park: I was a subscriber to your Magazine while living at Knife River, N. D., but since coming here I have not subscribed, and I miss it so much. Oregon certainly is the place for flowers, and I intend to plant lots of them another year. This is a beautiful country, and if the people in the storm-swept Eastern States could only know and believe what a perfect Paradise it is here as compared to the East, there would not be room for all the people here. **Mrs. R. A. Diercoff. Linn Co., Org.**

From New York.—Mr. Park: I love flowers, and think the best for winter-blooming are bulbs, such as Holland and Cape bulbs, and every year I have several, and think they are worth more for window culture than any other class of plants. My 50 cents, invested in Hyacinths, Paper White Narcissus, Polyanthus Narcissus and Chinese Sacred Lily, gave me blossoms all winter, and the grandest of these was the Chinese Sacred Lily. I planted it in good garden soil with good drainage, and set away in a dark closet six weeks. I kept it in subdued light (after bringing out) about a week, then put in a south window, and how it grew! Six big clusters of lovely fragrant blossoms! I have had a Chinese Lily every year since I married, but my last one had more blossoms, and cost less than any previous ones. **Mrs. J. C. Breadon. Allegany Co., N. Y.**

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Only a little toady.

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To bring to mind the dear ones
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Only a little toady.

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But should I let them kill you,
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Only a little toady.

Your mission is to clear
The flower garden of its bugs.
Just for that I hold you dear.

Only a little toady.

When you see him on the road
Do not hurt the little fellow,
Do not kill the hoppy-toad.

Only a little toady.

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CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Dear Mr. Park.—I am a little girl 12 years old, and live in town. My grandmother and I have taken your Magazine for years, and like it very much. I have one pet cat named Silvertip.

Marian Culler.

Brookfield, Mo., Feb. 20, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a country girl 12 years old. We raise corn, wheat and oats. I have a pet dog, and a dove named Negro. I go one and one-half miles to school, and am in the sixth grade.

Helen Klima.

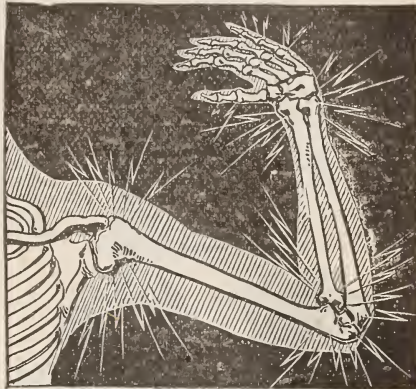
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From Florida.—Dear Mr. Park: It has been many years since I have seen a Balsam Apple or Balsam Pear, but I remember that one of them had beautiful fruits and looked as though hand-carved. I am after the pretty fruits the plants will bring me.

I am now an old, old woman, but I remember that when a small child I saw a string of Job's Tear beads, worn by my grandfather's sister. They were grown in New England. Could the plant be grown in Florida? I have these conditions: A lake front in sun and in shade; rich, black loam, boggy, or higher up; still higher, in sun, ideal Irish potato land. The house is much higher, land sandy and dry, but responsive to fertilizer, if watered. Would any of these conditions grow Coix Lachrymæ? If so, I will buy a plant, later on, as I wish the seeds to add to a collection of odd or beautiful seeds. Answer in the Magazine, as others also may care how to grow a plant that sheds stony tears.



JOB'S TEARS.

Altosna, Fla., Feb. 1, 1915. Miss A. C. Russell.

Ans.—Both Balsam Apple (*Momordica Balsamina*) and Balsam Pear (*Momordica Charantia*) have beautiful red fleshy fruits, their chief difference being in their form, as indicated by their names. They are members of the Gourd family, and easily grown from seeds. They are pretty trellis vines, growing six feet high, and bearing their pretty fruits in autumn. Another pretty Gourd vine bearing small, marble-formed fruits, green with brown markings, is *Bryonopsis laciniosa*. This vine will grow 20 feet high, and bears its little fruits in abundance in autumn. A pretty hardy vine for Florida is *Abrus precatorius* or Prayer Bean. The seeds are rich scarlet with a black eye, and fine for beads. Near the gulf coast I have seen plants of this vine 30 feet high, showing an abundance of their attractive seeds.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

From North Carolina.—Mr. Park: May I tell the Floral friends how I turned an old washed out road into a bower of beauty? Five years ago we came to a new home in the forest, so we made things like we wanted them. My garden is front of my back porch, and across one end ran an old logging road that had been in use for fifty years and was quite a deep gully having a southern slope. I began at the lowest side to fill in with all the cast off shoes, garments, paper, wood, ashes, old flower stalks and weeds from the garden, and the leaves from the lawn that we cleaned off in spring. Every rain washed dirt and sand in, too, and in two years it was nearly level. I had brought a bunch of Golden Glow with me, which I divided into small bunches and set on the farther side of the road, about four feet apart, and the first year it did nothing but spread. Last year I planted tall Sunflowers back of it and the summer flowering Cosmos in front. Words cannot describe its beauty, it was a perfect border of gold. People who said they had never cared for Golden Glow before, stopped to admire. I like the Magazine more each year. It has helped me so much to love flowers and birds. I am glad the editor stands up for the Crow. I enjoy them and think it a shame to shoot them.

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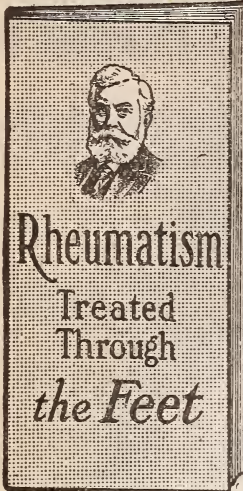
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CORRESPONDENCE.

From Illinois.—Dear Mr. Park: Your Magazine has been a welcome visitor to our home for a great many years, and I greatly enjoy reading its contents. I think we would all enjoy lingering in a garden such as our Southern friends write about, if it were possible to have one in the North, or if we were in the "Sunny South." But do not think we do not have beauty around us, however, for very often we awaken in the morning and find we have been transported to Fairyland, and what is more beautiful than Nature's own handiwork? I planted some seeds of Moonflower in pots to see if I could have some vines here in the North. I wonder if others ever tried planting vines around a post about three inches in diameter, with an old umbrella frame attached to the top, and training the vines over that. I have had such an arrangement for a number of years, and have had the best success with the Morning Glories. It certainly makes a pretty picture. I am enclosing my subscription, and with best wishes for the success of the little Magazine I remain, An Illinois Bachelor Girl. DeKalb Co., Ill.

From Nebraska.—Mr. Park: So many of the flowers I have planted never came up, so when I find a plant that thrives in these hot, dry, short summers, I raise it in quantities. Now I am looking for a blue flower that can stand sun, wind and sand. I found a wild one in the hills which I think is a Foxglove. We also have lovely wild yellow Peas, clear yellow, not so golden as Sunflowers. I have brought some of them to the yard, as well as a few of the little pink-flowered "Pincushion" Cactus. Woodbine grows wild here, also flowering Currants, and another kind locally called Skunk Currant. All three have contributed to the beauty of our little home. I want to try many other things as soon as possible, but in the meantime the things that are native and free must serve the purpose.

Mrs. Pearl Kemp.

Cheyenne Co., Neb., Jan. 25, 1915.

[Note.—*Tagetes signata pumila*, the pretty, free-blooming little Marigold, which grows a foot high, and is a golden mass of bloom throughout summer and autumn, would doubtless prove satisfactory. Also the French and African Marigolds. Various species of Lupin, *Vinca rosea*, *Yucca* in variety, and *Petunias* should thrive in your locality.—Ed.]

From Illinois.—Mr. Park: I think much of Park's Floral Magazine. At one time I read a recipe in the Magazine telling how to get rid of ants, which was magical, and I have never been bothered with them since, as I resort at once to the recipe if they make their appearance. I have passed this on and on, and in Oklahoma, where the housewives are sorely troubled with this busy insect, it has been a blessing to many homes in the town of Nashville, where I sent the recipe to my daughter, who passed it on. That recipe was worth times and times over the price of your Magazine. Everything is good. I just mention this one little thing aside from the floral part of the Magazine. I love the poems that are given each month in Park's Floral Magazine.

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Under this head I have inserted the names and addresses of persons who propose card exchanges, but many have complained that some do not respond. It is manifestly unfair and dishonest to propose an exchange and not respond to those who answer it.—Editor.

Myrtle B. Norgood, R. 2, Box 7, Hatton, N. D.
Miss Lily Van Denberg, Hastings, Mich.
Miss Annie M. Smith, So. Deerfield, N. H.
Cocley Bentley, Load, Ky.
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CORRESPONDENCE.

From Ohio.—Mr. Park: Find enclosed my renewal for Magazine. I wish I could get subscribers for your Magazine, but as I have an invalid husband to care for I cannot get away. We left our old home as we could not care for it as it should be cared for, and moved to a small country town; but I have a yearning for the farm, though we have some ground to cultivate. I also miss my dear old flowers. I had flowers from April till frost, Lilies, Hyacinths, Tulips and many more kinds. Last fall I sent for bulbs and hope I may have the pleasure of seeing some of my old favorites again. I sympathize with the sister that lost her plants by freezing last winter. We had very cold weather here, but I saved my plants, and I can give her two kinds of Cactus if she wishes some. You ought to have seen my Poppies, pink and red double. I would like to have double white. Hannah Orwick.

Findlay, R. 5, Ohio.

From Pennsylvania.—Floral Friends: One day last summer I went to Mr. Park's office on business, and while there he showed me hundreds of letters and plant specimens from all over America. Each writer expected a personal and written answer. Each one doubtless thought hers was the only such letter received by Mr. Park, but I saw hundreds. About 25 years ago I found a yellow flower growing on the bank of the Mississippi River. I did not know its name, so I sent a specimen to Vick's Magazine, requesting the name of the plant, to which I soon received a courteous and satisfactory answer. It was not necessary for me to take up the time of Mr. Vick, as I could not doubt have learned the name from a florist or other competent person where I was then living. Likewise, many of the people who needlessly impose upon Mr. Park's time and patience could get the information nearer at home and in much shorter time. A large dictionary will give you many facts. If you live near a public library, consult its books by the direction of the Librarian. If you live near a college or normal school, go to the teacher of botany with your specimens of flowers. He will be proud to impress you with his floral knowledge. If you know a retail florist, consult him. If you have exhausted all these sources of information without avail, or if you have none of them, then send to Mr. Park, but don't forget to enclose a stamp. Lancaster Co., Pa., Feb. 4, 1915. W. D. H.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

From Missouri.—I was deeply grieved and the angels surely wept over the letter of one who scolded her mother severely for accidentally overturning and breaking some pots and plants. Just imagine for one moment, if you can, the look that must have been on that poor, old, invalid mother's face as she entered her daughter's presence. And if we are to judge by her letter, not one kind word did mother get. I dearly love flowers, but I would not exchange one day of mother's happiness for all the flowers in the universe, pots included. No, I have not lost my own dear mother. We live very near each other. But we will not always have mother near, and we should be kind, thoughtful and loving while we may. If I had the finest collection of flowers in the world, and mother smashed them all, beyond recovery, not one cross word or look would she get. My first thought would be, is she hurt? and I would tell her it did not make one bit of difference about the flowers. I have seen mothers scold and slap the sweet baby hands for pulling flowers. Not one scold or slap did my babies ever get on account of my flowers. When you find them pulling flowers tell them, when the buds begin to open, and save the risk of having any pulled, that if they leave them, how beautiful they will be, and explain to them that they will die if broken. If you possibly can, raise plenty for the little hands to gather, and teach them to make bouquets. If one day a sweet little tot comes to you with a handful of flowers, even if they be from a rare and costly plant, unless you have explained to the child that it must not touch, do not scold, but kiss the happy little face, and praise it for its thoughtfulness of mamma.

We live where there are lots of wild flowers, and in the spring and summer my little ones keep me well supplied with bouquets. If they want tame ones they hardly ever forget to ask my consent before pulling them. Let's all learn to love God, husband, father, mother, and babies, before flowers. A Mother.

Ozark Co., Mo., Jan. 20, 1915.

[Note.—It is good to read and think of the home where love and kindness rule, and where a grievance is borne uncomplainingly to promote the happiness of a member or members of the family. Where the true Christian spirit abounds in the heart and life of the father and mother, and is inculcated by loving precept and living example, in the children you will always find a happy home—a house about which cluster many precious memories that will guide and be enjoyed by the younger members throughout life. Where scolding and fault-finding and ill-humor and quarreling are in the daily home life there is misery, unhappiness and discontent. The young man of clean, honest, Christian habits looking for a life-partner should avoid such a home as he would a venomous serpent in his path, if he has any care for his future welfare and happiness. If he does not, the venom will be injected into the home he attempts to establish, and will be a source of misery if it does not eventually cause its ruin. The true love of flowers tends to lead the mind to the Great Being who gave them their graceful form and exquisite coloring; and the love of God cannot but inspire the true Christian with a love and appreciation of flowers and Nature in all her varied forms. Thus life attains its fullness in true virtue, and the home where the inmates are so imbued becomes an earthly paradise.—Ed.]

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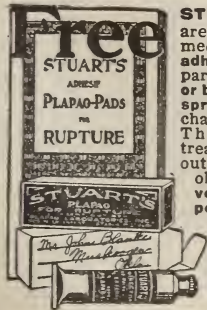
From Michigan.—Mr. Park: A man who has recently brought his family here from Chicago said: "This is the first place I ever found where children are wanted. In the city no one wants us when they find we have children."

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